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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 10-8-65

FROM: M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION DELANO, CALIFORNIA

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On October 6, 1965, [redacted] telephonically contacted your office and asked to have an Agent stop by to see him. SA [redacted] contacted [redacted] later on 10-6-65.

[redacted] related that on 10-5-65, the Office of Economic Opportunity announced a grant of $267,887 for the National Farm Workers Association to use in a self-help education project to teach migrant workers in Kern, Kings and Tulare Counties of California, citizenship and money management. Direction of the project will be handled by Cesar Chavez, the elected Executive Director of the National Farm Workers Association. Chavez is a former migrant worker and a former employee of the Industrial Areas Foundation in California. The Association was described as a nonprofit organization of persons of Mexican-American descent.

[redacted] related information has come to [redacted] attention indicating Chavez possibly has a subversive background. He said allegedly Chavez had sought a job with the Peace Corps in 1961 but had been rejected. [redacted] was quite vague as to the type of information concerning Chavez and finally stated that reportedly [redacted] has a file on Chavez allegedly showing a communist background. [redacted] said he was checking with the House Committee on Un-American Activities and had checked with the Civil Service Commission which advised it had no record on Chavez.

On October 7, 1965, [redacted] contacted SA [redacted] and stated there were several other individuals involved with the National Farm Workers Association who allegedly have subversive backgrounds. These individuals were identified as Dave Havens, an organizer of the Association and affiliated with the California Migrant Ministry; Larry Illiong and Ben Gines, organizers for the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee; Pete Manuel and Marcello Tamsi, local union leaders; and Delores Huerta, secretary of the National Farm Workers Association. [redacted] stated all of the named individuals are from the Delano, California, area and are presently involved in a strike against grape growers in the area. He had no specific indication of subversive backgrounds on any of the individuals named, but stated he understands local authorities [redacted] have information about them. He said he has been told that a recent issue of "The Worker" or some other communist publication carried a picture of Delores Huerta. RECORDED - 100 - 444766

Enclosure - [illegible] 10-14-65 SE-115 MCT-45

1 - Mr. Tolson - Enclosure

1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure

M. A. Jones to DeLoach
RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

[redacted] stated he is quite concerned about this Association being given a grant by the Office of Economic Opportunity particularly where there is indication that the named individuals have subversive connections. He asked if we could check on the National Farm Workers Association, which he said was only recently organized; the California Migrant Ministry; and the above-named individuals and furnish him any information which would be of assistance in deciding what, if any, action he should take concerning this matter. We have enjoyed a limited but cordial relationship with [redacted]

INFORMATION IN BUFILES:

Bufiles contain no record identifiable with the National Farm Workers Association, the California Migrant Ministry, Marcello Tamsi, Ben Gines and Delores Huerta. No photograph of Huerta was found in any issue of "The Worker" received in the Bureau since the first of August, 1965.

The only information identifiable with Chavez is a communication dated 9-19-65 from [redacted] asking if we can identify Cesar E. Chavez, a Mexican male, 35 to 38 years of age, who was an applicant for Peace Corps Director in 1962 and is Director of the National Farm Workers Association in Delano. The communication also indicate Chavez had applied to establish a Farm Workers Association credit union; that he is associated with the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee; the California Church Council; and the AFL-CIO farm labor strike in Delano. His address was listed as 1221 Kensington with an office at 102 Albany and a telephone listed to him at 630 Belmont, all Delano. [redacted] was advised by radiogram dated 9-20-65 that Chavez possibly identical with FBI number 298-533-D, born 9-12-26 in Mexico; fingerprinted 1945 and 1959 by Immigration and Naturalization at El Paso, Texas, for immigration violations; departed to Mexico 10-1-59 in lieu of deportation. (32-2972-15837)

By letter of 6-3-65 [redacted] requested the Attorney General for any information indicating communists or subvers affiliations on the part of Chavez. A similar request was made in the same letter on David Ward Havens described as a white American male, born 12-17-35, residing at 3706 Robin Lane, Visalia, California. This letter was referred to the FBI and a chec revealed no identifiable data on Chavez or Havens. [redacted] (100-7254-3996 and 4002)

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) That the enclosed airtel be sent to Los Angeles instructing that Offi to check its files on the foregoing organizations and individuals and to interview [redacted] determine what, if any, information they may possess concerning alleged subversive activities of these individuals.

(2) That [redacted] be confidentially briefed by a representativ of your office concerning the foregoing information and any pertinent information subsequently reported by Los Angeles.

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Airtel

To: SAC, Los Angeles

From: Director, FBI

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
BUDED 10-21-65

[redacted]

On October 6 and 7, 1965, [redacted] advised that information has come to their attention indicating various individuals associated with the National Farm Workers Association have communist backgrounds. They identified these individuals as:

Cesar Chavez, the elected Executive Director of the Association.

Dave Havens of the California Migrant Ministry.

Larry Itliong and Ben Gines, organizers for Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee.

Pete Manuel and Marcello Tamsi, union leaders in Delano.

Delores Huerta, secretary of the Association.

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[redacted] reportedly has information indicating subversive backgrounds on the part of some, or all, of these individuals. A picture of Delores Huerta allegedly was published in a recent issue of "The Worker" or some other communist publication. On October 5, 1965, the Office of Economic Opportunity, Washington, D. C., announced a Federal grant of $207,[illegible] to the National Farm Workers Association, described as a nonprofit organization of persons of Mexican-American descent, for use in a self-help education project to teach migrant farm workers in Kern, Kings and Tulare Counties of California, citizenship and money management. Chavez, as Director of the Association, will be in charge of this project.

1 - ~~Mr. Tolson (sent with cover memo)~~
1 - Mr. Belmont (sent with cover memo)
1 - Mr. DeLoach (sent with memo)
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NOTE: See Jones to DeLoach memo, 10-8-65, captioned "Comm Infiltration of the National Farm Workers Association, Delar

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Airtel to Los Angeles
RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

Bufiles contain no information identifiable with the National Farm Workers Association, the California Migrant Ministry, Marcello Tamai, Ben Gines and Delores Huerta. No photograph of Huerta was found in any issue of "The Worker" received in the Bureau since the first of August, 1965.

On 9-19-65, [redacted] communicated with the Bureau requesting information on Cesar Chavez, described as a Mexican male, 35 to 38 years of age and identified as Director of the National Farm Workers Association in Delano. This communication stated Chavez had been an applicant for Peace Corps Director in 1962; applied to establish a Farm Workers Association credit union; was affiliate of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee and the California Church Council; and associated with an AFL-CIO farm labor strike in Delano. His address was given as 1221 Kensington, with an office at 102 Albany and a telephone listed to him at 630 Belmont, all Delano. [redacted] was advised by radiogram on 9-20-65 that Chavez possibly identical with FBI number 298-533-D, born 9-12-26 in Mexico, fingerprinted 1945 and 1959 by INS, El Paso, Texas, for immigration violations and deported to Mexico 10-1-59 in lieu of deportation.

Refer to Bureau airtel to Los Angeles 6-22-65 and your reply of 6-25-65 captioned [redacted] concerning request by [redacted] for information on Chavez and David Ward Havens. [redacted]

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Los Angeles should review its files concerning the aforementioned individuals and organizations and, unless good reason to the contrary exists, should contact [redacted] and [redacted] to determine what, if any, information they have indicating subversive affiliations on the part of the named individuals. Los Angeles should exercise discretion in this inquiry since each of the named individuals reportedly is involved in a current strike against grape growers in the Delano area and under no circumstances should your contact imply an FBI interest in this labor activity.

Submit results of your inquiries and file searches in letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination to reach the Bureau no later than October 21, 1965.

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
MAY 1962 EDITION
GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 10-15-65

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION DELANO, CALIFORNIA

Reference is made to my memorandum to you dated 10-8-65 concerning allegations received from [redacted] and [redacted] relative to captioned matter.

On October 13-14, 1965, [redacted] furnished the following additional information regarding this situation:

[redacted] He said inquiries he has made, including questioning [redacted] indicate Chavez has a "clean" background.

[redacted] related the picture of Delores Huerta, which he previously had reported was in an issue of "The Worker," actually appeared in the 10-2-65 issue of "The People's World." He made available a publication issued by the National Farm Workers Association which carried the same picture on its front page, and a copy of this is enclosed. The picture shows Delores Huerta holding up a sign "HUELGA." [redacted] stated he has been told the word "HUELGA" means "strike" but Chavez told him it means more to the Mexican farm workers. [redacted] said one individual told him the word means "revolt" to some Mexicans. (Bureau translator [redacted] advises the word "HUELGA" means "strike" or to "leave the place vacant" -- to "get out.")

In the 10-2-65 issue of "The People's World" this picture appeared on page 1 and is credited to Harvey Richards. [redacted] said he asked Chavez about Richards and Chavez told him Richards is a free-lance photographer hired by the National Farm Workers Association to take photographs of the strike

Enclosures - [illegible] 10-18-65
1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Sullivan - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Belmont - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Tolson - Enclosure

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activities. [redacted] asked if we might check to see if there is any information concerning Richards which we could furnish to him.

[redacted] also reported that a young woman named Wendy Goepel recently had come to the Delano area and become active in the farm workers' strike. He said this woman majored in sociology at Stanford University and formerly worked for the California Department of Public Health. He said until quite recently she was a consultant in the California Governor's Office on the Vista Program (anti-poverty program) and reportedly helped draw up the application which resulted in the $267,887 grant to the National Farm Workers Association by the Office of Economic Opportunity. [redacted] requested a check on Miss Goepel also.

Information in Bufiles:

Goepel apparently is identical with Wendy Pangburn Goepel (Bufile [redacted] who reportedly was considering attending the 8th World Youth Festival in Helsinki, Finland, in 1962 along with other Stanford University students. There is no indication that she did attend.

[redacted] Richards was identified in public testimony before the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA) on June 18, 1957, by Dr. Jack Patten as a member of the Communist Political Association, county committee, in 1944. Richards was subpoenaed before the HCUA on June 20, 1957, at San Francisco and invoked the 5th amendment when asked about his Party affiliations.

Richards' wife was identified in public testimony during HCUA hearings on July 20, 1957, as a Communist Party member from 1943 to 1951 by Dorothy Jeffers.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) That we confidentially brief [redacted] concerning the foregoing information on Richards and Goepel.

(2) That the enclosed airtel be sent to Los Angeles.

10-18-65

[redacted] Airtel

To: SAC, Los Angeles

From: Director, FBI

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION
OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS
ASSOCIATION
DELANO, CALIFORNIA

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On October 13-14, 1965, [redacted] furnished the following additional information concerning captioned matter. [redacted] indicated Chavez has a "clean" background. He stated the photograph of Delores Huerta had appeared in the October 2, 1965, issue of "The People's World," instead of "The Worker." The picture was published on the front page of this issue and was credited to Harvey Richards. (Enclosed is a copy of this photograph which was published in a strike newspaper issued by the National Farm Workers Association). [redacted] said Chavez related Richards is a free-lance photographer hired by the Association to take pictures of strike activities. [redacted]

[redacted] related Wendy Goepel recently has gone to Delano to take part in the strike activities. He said she was a sociology major at Stanford University, was employed by the California Department of Public Health, and until recently was a consultant in the California Governor's Office on the Vista (anti-poverty) program. He said she apparently drew up the application which resulted in the $267 887.00 grant to the National Farm Workers Association by the Office of Economic Opportunity.

1 - San Francisco - Enclosure (For information)
1 - Mr. Tolson
1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Sullivan

NOTE: See Jones to DeLoach memo dated 10-15-65, captioned as above.

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Airtel to Los Angeles
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DELANO, CALIFORNIA

Wendy Pangburn Goepel (Bufile [redacted] San Francisco file [redacted] was identified as one of several Stanford University students considering attending the 8th World Youth Festival in Helsinki, Finland, in 1962. There is no indication that she actually attended.

Enclosed for the information of San Francisco is a copy of reference airtel to Los Angeles. Los Angeles should consider the foregoing information in conjunction with its current inquiry regarding captioned matter.

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Date: 10/20/65

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449) (P)

RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION DELANO, CALIFORNIA IS - C

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Re Bureau airtels 10/11/65 and 10/18/65.

Attached hereto are six copies and for the San Francisco Office two copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) setting forth results of interviews with [redacted] conducted by SA [redacted] on 10/15/65 as well as the results of indices searches concerning these organizations and individuals.

The sources utilized in the LHM are as follows:

1. [redacted]
2. [redacted]
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The LHM has been classified confidential because it contains information from confidential sources of continuing value whose future effectiveness might be compromised.

Los Angeles indices fail to reflect any information identifiable with the following:

California Migrant Ministry or
California Migrant Farm Ministry

BENJAMIN CORPUS GINES or
BEN GINES

WENDY PANGBURN GOEPEL

DAVID WARD HAVENS or
DAVE HAVENS

DOLORES CLARA HEAD

LARRY ITLIONG

PETE MANUEL

MARCELLO SABADO TANSI or
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The San Francisco Office is requested to review their file[redacted] for any pertinent information and if additional subversive information is available, will submit same in a LHM suitable for dissemination.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California
October 20, 1965

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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[redacted] furnished the following information on October 15, 1965:

On September 8, 1965, the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee (AWOC), AFL-CIO with headquarters in Washington, D. C., declared a strike against the grape growers in Tulare and Kern Counties, California, with 72 Filipino grape pickers participating. On September 19, 1965, the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) also joined this strike, which then brought the Mexican and Puerto Ricans into this matter. The purpose of the strike was supposedly to increase the wages of the grape pickers. Actually, there are very few farm workers on strike at this time and, in fact, even with the strike, more grapes have been shipped from Kern and Tulare Counties this year than in 1964. At the peak of the strike, during the end of September, 1965, he estimated that only about 800 farm workers at most, out of about 5000 workers, were actually on strike in the immediate Delano and adjoining Tulare County area. At the beginning of the strike, persons on

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the picket lines were local farm workers, however, at this time most of the individuals on picket lines are persons from outside of Kern and Tulare Counties, and are carrying on the picket for higher wages for the farm workers even though they are not themselves farm workers.

The only disturbance of importance occurred on 9/25/65 at which time approximately 20 to 30 young Filipinos went to the Missakian Ranch, MacFarland, California, ordered a crew from a grape field, assaulted the foreman, assaulted several Filipino workers, and tipped over boxes of grapes on the ground. The group responsible for this act were Filipino hoodlums from San Francisco, California, but they were never criminally charged because of the lack of identification by witnesses.

NFWA is a local independent union, which has only reportedly been affiliated with the AFL-CIO since September, 1965. This affiliation is allegedly only for the purpose of supporting the present Delano-Tulare County strike. NFWA was formed possibly five years ago and at least since January, 1963, and its actual purpose is not known to him.

CESAR E. CHAVEZ, a male Mexican, born 1/31/27, possibly at Delano, 5/3", 135 pounds, straight black hair, brown eyes, dark complexion, is the founder and Director of NFWA, with headquarters at 102 Albany Street, Delano, telephone number 8661. CHAVEZ resides at 1221 Kensington Street, Delano, and also can be contacted at his brother's home, RICHARD CHAVEZ, a building inspector in Tulare County, California, who resides at 630 Belmont, Delano, telephone number 3036. The NFWA is active in Delano and Tulare County, but he has no idea of their membership total.

CHAVEZ spent about 14 years in San Jose, California, prior to 1963, as a recruiter for the Community Service Organization (CSO) at San Jose. CSO is a "war on poverty" type organization. Prior to his 14 years with CSO, CHAVEZ was with the same organization in Los Angeles and San Diego, California. Since January, 1963, CHAVEZ has resided in Delano.

CHAVEZ refuses to answer any questionnaires directed to him by Credit Bureaus or similar organizations. He has openly been called a Communist at Delano City Council meetings; however, [redacted] does not possess any definite information in this regard. He does believe that CHAVEZ associates with "left wing" type individuals and is known to distribute the "People's World" from his office at Delano, free of charge. CHAVEZ publishes and sells a paper called "El Malcriado", described as the voice of the farm worker, and the official voice of the NFWA. This paper sells for 10¢ a copy. Subscriptions to this paper can be mailed to P.O. Box 894, Delano. The front page of the "People's World" during the week of 10/3-9/65 carried a reprint of a photograph appearing in issue Number 21 of the "El Malcriado", which photograph is of DOLORES HUERTA (who will be discussed further) holding a sign that states, "Huelga"(Spanish word for strike).

SAM KUSHNER of the "People's World", residence 144 South Bonnie Brae, Los Angeles, was in Delano during the week of 10/3-9/65 for approximately three days, and spent a considerable amount of time with NFWA officials. Numerous outsiders from San Francisco, California, Berkeley, California, and Los Angeles, who are alleged members of the Student Non-Violating Coordinating Committee and the Congress on Racial Equality have periodically appeared in Delano and have been observed carrying NFWA picket signs. Numerous photographs have been taken by the [redacted] and he hopes to identify some of these people when the strike is over. As mentioned previously, these outsiders at present are practically the only people still picketing.

CHAVEZ has publicly stated that his intention is to boycott downtown Delano businesses and have all Mexican-Americans buy through a NFWA store. At the present time, CHAVEZ sells automobile tires at the NFWA location at 102 Albany Street, Delano.

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During May, 1965, CHAVEZ told [redacted] that the workers and the students of this country were going to eventually join together and overthrow the U.S. Government. When [redacted] attempted to question CHAVEZ further, and to clarify this statement, CHAVEZ told [redacted] that he did not mean the statement the way he said it and refused to discuss the matter further.

He has also heard that CHAVEZ operates some type of Credit Union for farm workers, which has never been chartered by the State or Federal Government, but he has been unable to secure any additional information in this regard.

[redacted] could furnish no definite information regarding any subversive activities on the part of CHAVEZ.

BENJAMIN CORPUS GINES, a male Filipino, age 51, born in Narvacan, Philippine Islands, who resides at 1717 Clinton, Delano, and has been a representative of the AWOC in Delano for the past five years. [redacted]

[redacted] does not know of any subversive activities on the part of GINES, other than GINES' association with CHAVEZ.

LARRY ITLIONG, a male Filipino, age 52, born in Pangasinan, Philippine Islands, who resides at 129 West 19th Place, Delano, is the head of the AWOC in Delano. ITLIONG has resided in Delano off and on for approximately 25 years, and has been devoting all of his time to the AWOC for the past five years. He believes ITLIONG was formerly

a labor contractor in Delano. ITLIONG has been instrumental in persuading farm workers to leave the fields in Delano and Tulare County.

To his knowledge, [redacted] stated that there are no definite subversive connections on the part of ITLIONG, other than his association with CHAVEZ and GINES.

DAVID WARD HAVENS, a white male, born 12/17/35, whose home address is 3706 Robin Lane, Visalia, California, telephone number 734-7685, his employment National Council of Churches, and is an active member of the California Migrant Farm Ministry, a subsidiary of the National Council of Churches. During May, 1965, HAVENS participated in a farm workers strike in Delano in conjunction with CHAVEZ and the NFWA. He has been participating in so-called "rent strikes" in Linnel, California, which strikes deal with State owned housing.

HAVENS' participation in the present Delano and Tulare County Strike is that of actively working on the picket lines as a picket, picket captain and advisor of the NFWA. HAVENS is also believed to have some connection with the California Department of the War on Poverty, with offices in Sacramento, California.

No subversive activities are known concerning HAVENS.

PETE MANUEL, a male Filipino, age about 55, born in Togalo, South Luzon, Philippine Islands, who has grey wavy hair and is described as very distinguished looking, resides at 1905 Clinton, Delano, and has lived in Delano for approximately eight or nine years. [redacted]

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Prior to the present strike in Delano, MANUEL was active in encouraging Filipinos to strike in Kern and Tulare Counties, and at the present time he is a representative of the AWOC. The general consensus of opinion is that MANUEL is involved in this strike at Delano as an agitator, is only out to make money for himself, and is not fighting for any particular cause. MANUEL is also known to be "anti-police".

No actual subversive activities are known concerning MANUEL.

MARCELLO SABADO TANSI, aka. Marcello Sabado Tamsi, a male Filipino, born 8/10/10, in Aringay Cada, Philippine Islands, FBI Number 1452 522, who resides at 85375 Avenue 52, Coachella, California, is described as a "strong arm man" in the Delano-Tulare County Strike. [redacted] All of his life, TANSI has been active in movements of one type or another. He was very strong in the "La Union Brotherhood", which is now non-existent, but at one time was a fraternal organization among Filipino people. TANSI is reportedly the leader of the San Francisco people in Delano and adjoining Tulare County that are participating in the picket.

No actual subversive activities are known concerning TANSI.

DOLORES CLARA HUERTA, aka. Dolores Clara Head, a Mexican female, born 4/10/30 who resides at 137 Austin Street, Delano, and is the vice-president for the NFWA. She has no other employment. Further background concerning HUERTA is unknown, but she has been active in the Delano area for several years. HUERTA is the driving force on the picket lines of Delano and Tulare County and daily inspires the pickets and their cause.

HUERTA was the individual who recently travelled to Washington, D.C. to apply for a federal grant for the NFWA through the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO). HUERTA made this trip on behalf of CHAVEZ and NFWA. A grant of $267,887.00 was made to the NFWA by the OEO to be used as salaries and training 31 indigent migrant farm workers of Mexican-American ancestry for 60 days so that these trainees could teach other indigent farm workers citizenship, money management, the functions of governmental agencies and how to deal with these agencies. In addition, two of these 31 trainees would suppo sedly be further trained by being sent to an out-of-state college. When this grant was made public, it created more concern on the part of the general public in the Delano and adjoining Tulare County area, than any other single incident that can be recalled by [redacted] The general public in Delano believes that this money will be used, not for its intended purpose, but to further the political beliefs of CHAVEZ and other "left wing" type groups, such as the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee and Congress of Race Equality (CORE), which may attempt to affiliate with NFWA if this grant is actually received.

He is not aware of any actual subversive activities on the part of HUERTA other than her association with CHAVEZ.

[redacted] furnished the following information:

During May and June, 1965, he became interested in DAVID WARD HAVENS and CESAR CHAVEZ because he had heard that these two individuals, and others, were attempting to instigate a farm workers strike in Arvin, California, while these two persons were actually residing in Delano. The proposed strike in Arvin was not successful. He was mainly interested in whether or not CHAVEZ and HAVENS were suspected of being associated with any subversive organizations or individuals. He does not know of any actual subversive activities on the part of either of these two men.

He is not aware of any subversive activities on the part of GINES, ITLIONG, MANUEL, TANSI or HUERTA.

NFWA is lead by CHAVEZ, and the purpose of this organization is supposedly to improve the wages and living conditions of the migrant farm worker in Kern and Tulare Counties. NFWA claims they are an independent organization with offices at 102 Albany Street, Delano. He has no idea of the total membership of this organization. CHAVEZ rents the building at 102 Albany and also sells automobile tires and oil under the name Farm Workers Co-op, at this address. CHAVEZ has recently been cited for not having a business license, and is due to appear in the Delano Justice Court in the near future to show cause why he should not be penalized for operating a business without having a city license.

CHAVEZ has reportedly stated that he desires to open general stores in the San Joaquin Valley to sell "all commodities" to farm workers at discount prices and to, therefore, create a boycott of local businesses. At this point, CHAVEZ has only the tire and oil store mentioned above. CHAVEZ has also mentioned starting a Credit Union for farm workers who are members of the NFWA, however, he could furnish no additional information concerning this Credit Union or concerning the NFWA.

His own opinion is that CHAVEZ is not altogether sincere in his desire to assist migrant workers, but is solely interested in making a name for himself and to gain financially. The $267,887.00 grant approved by OEO for NFWA by the Federal Government has arroused considerable public opinion against making such a grant. His opinion is that CHAVEZ is not qualified to manage this large a sum. He has heard that CHAVEZ has only a grammar school education.

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The following information was obtained from sources who have furnished reliable information in the past, unless otherwise indicated:

The October 2, 1965, "People's World" (PW) newspaper, page 1, contains an article captioned, "Eyewitness Account of Big Farm Strike," and contains a photograph of Dolores Huerta of the Farm Workers Association (FWA) holding a sign, "Huelga," which according to the caption, means strike in Spanish. The photograph is identified as a Harvey Richards photo. The article states that the strike in the vineyards of the Delano-Earlimart area started September 8 with pay raise demands by the AFL-CIO, Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee, who were joined ten days later by the National Farm Workers Association. The article quoted an FWA organizer as stating, "Cesar Chavez (leader of the FWA) was roughed up by some farmers while the police stood by and watched and only moved in when they knocked him to the ground...." This article identifies Larry Itliong as the Director of the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee (AWOC) and states Itliong said that union recognition was the biggest block to settlement.

The PW is a West Coast communist newspaper.

[redacted]

The October 9, 1965, PW, pages 1 and 4, contained several articles regarding the grape strike. One article identifies Larry Itliong as AWOC Field Organizer and states that he said that attacks, injunctions, and attempted intimidation has not deterred strikers. Another article states

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that FWA Director Cesar Chavez stated that the AWOC and FWA are demanding that the growers sign an agreement to recognize the unions as the organizations representing the workers.

Another article datelined Delano and captioned, "Labor Rallies to Farm Strike," reflected that the strikers were receiving food and money from other labor organizations. This article also stated labor support was not the only support being received and that "high priority was given the civil rights workers from San Francisco and Los Angeles who have come to this city, and surrounding area, to assist the strikers. In the hall, one could see persons wearing Student Non-Violent Coordination Committee (SNCC) and Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) buttons. They were helping to provide the manpower to keep the strike machinery going. The grape strike has become a focal point of concentration for gaining promoting democratic rights in the state."

A second source advised in October, 1965, that Sam Kushner, Los Angeles editor of the PW newspaper, stated that he had given 100 papers and $50 to the FWA strike. Kushner indicated that the big story in Los Angeles is the Delano strike, and he said that he got some pictures there which were to be used in the PW. According to Kushner, in the coming week, one Cesar was going to take him out on the picket line and spend the morning with him. This source advised that on October 7, 1965, Kushner attempted to get in touch with Cesar Chavez of Delano.

[redacted]

A fourth source advised on August 27, 1965, that the sixth annual State Convention of the Mexican-American Political Association (MAPA) was held at Fresno, California, July 23, 24 and 25, 1965, and that the FWA picketed the convention and passed out leaflets denouncing the participation of MAPA and its officers in the recruitment of farm workers for the Department of Employment and the Department of Labor.

A fifth source advised on March 10, 1961, that [redacted] was in Fresno, California, on the preceding Saturday and stayed over to attend an Agricultural Workers Union meeting in Strathmore on Sunday.

This same source advised on July 28, 1961, that [redacted] was to have a meeting of some of the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee members at his home on Saturday, [redacted] and that some of the members of the San Joaquin County CP wanted [redacted] to bring some of her group to the meeting.

[redacted]

A sixth source advised on September 21, 1961, that the CP of Northern California held a meeting on [redacted] at the [redacted] residence [redacted]. At the meeting a discussion was held on how to keep the workers together that were members of the AWOC, AFL-CIO, and it was decided to hold a conference soon and have all the communist and leftist people they could get to attend the conference. [redacted] was to be chairman of this committee.

This same source advised on October 2, 1961, that [redacted] stated that he and another individual had been in Fresno visiting people that they thought would help in organizing an independent union of farm workers and that he wanted to set up a committee of communist and leftist people in Fresno.

A seventh source advised on January 25, 1962, that the Agricultural Workers Commission of the CP of Northern California met [redacted] for the purpose of discussing the attitude of the CP in regard to the organizing drive among the agricultural workers since the AFL-CIO has again assumed responsibility for the drive. The Commission decided that the CP must support the AFL-CIO and that all CP members who were working in connection with this drive must do all in their power to discourage the

aggrandizement and feathering its own position with the interested slave labor-making departments.

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TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: LOS ANGELES (100-67449) /2 PAGES/

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO CALIFORNIA, IS - C.

[redacted]

RE LOS ANGELES AIRTEL AND LHM TO BUREAU, OCTOBER TWENTY, LAST.

[redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED THAT FORTY FOUR PICKETS WERE ARRESTED IN DELANO ON OCTOBER NINETEEN, LAST FOR REMAINING PRESENT AFTER WARNING THAT UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLY, IN CONNECTION WITH STRIKE OF FARM WORKERS IN DELANO AREA. ALL ARRESTED, BOOKED IN KERN COUNTY JAIL, BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA AND LATER RELEASED ON BAIL. DURING CONVERSATIONS WITH SOME OF THOSE ARRESTED, [redacted] LEARNED THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS, AND OTHERS THAT ARE EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN DELANO FROM SAN FRANCISCO, BERKELEY AND LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, TONIGHT AND TOMORROW, WILL MAKE THEMSELVES SUBJECT TO ADDITIONAL

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ARREST THIS WEEKEND. NEW ARRIVALS EXPECTED TO BE COLLEGE PROFESSORS, STUDENTS AND MINISTERS. [redacted] SAID INDICATIONS ARE THAT DEMONSTRATIONS IN DELANO DASH TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA AREA WILL CONTINUE INDEFINITELY. [redacted] SAID SITUATION APPEARS TO BE CONTAINED AT PRESENT. LAW INFORCEMENT OFFICIALS IN AREA FULLY COGNIZANT OF SITUATION, AND STATE IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO PREDICT POTENTIAL OF SITUATION AT PRESENT. [redacted] RESIDENT AGENT, ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH INTC, UNITED STATES ARMY, REGION TWO, BAKERSFIELD, ADVISED OF ABOVE. LHM FOLLOWS. P

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-55900) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION DELANO, CALIFORNIA IS - C

Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau, 10/20/65 [redacted]

Enclosed herewith are six copies for the Bureau and two copies for Los Angeles of LHM setting out available background and subversive information regarding DOLORES HUERTA.

The sources utilized in this LHM are:

1. [redacted]

2. [redacted]

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The LHM is classified "CONFIDENTIAL" because it contains confidential information from [redacted] and [redacted] both sources of continuing value the dissemination of which might identify these sources and jeopardize their future effectiveness.

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Reference is made to FBI memorandum prepared at Los Angeles October 20, 1965, titled as above. Mrs Ventura

[redacted]

The "People's World" is a west coast Communist newspaper published weekly in San Francisco.

Records of the [redacted] reflected on May 26, 1964 that Dolores Huerta was then residing at 320 South Sutter Street, Stockton, California and was employed by the Community Service Organization in Stockton. Dolores Huerta was divorced in February, 1961 from Ventura Huerta.

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A second source reported July 22, 1964 and a third source reported August 26, 1964 that they had no knowledge that Dolores Huerta was involved in any Communist Party activities in the Stockton area. [redacted]

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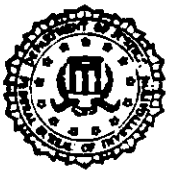

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San Francisco, California

October 25, 1965

Title COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA

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Reference Memorandum, dated and captioned as above, at San Francisco, California

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

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FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)

RE : COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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Re Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau, enclosing letterhead memorandum (LHM), dated 10/20/65, and Los Angeles teletype, 10/22/65.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies, and for Albuquerque, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh and San Francisco, two copies each of LHM, dated and captioned as above. One copy of the LHM is designated for 115th INTC, Region II, U.S. Army, Pasadena, California.

The LHM has been classified confidential because it contains information from confidential sources of continuing value, whose future effectiveness might be compromised.

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Indices, Los Angeles, were reviewed and no record was located on any of the arrested persons, except as noted in the LHM.

Offices receiving copies of this LHM are requested to review the names of the arrested individuals residing in their area for any subversive information. If such information is developed, advise the Bureau and office of origin in form suitable for dissemination.

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Source One [redacted] [redacted]

Source Two [redacted] [redacted]

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO, CALIFORNIA

[redacted], 115th INTC, Region II, U.S. Army, Bakersfield, California, advised of the entire strike situation on October 22, 1965, at 5:20 PM, by SA [redacted]

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 11/2/65

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (100-15092) (RUC)

SUBJECT:

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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Re Los Angeles letter of 10/25/65 and LHM.

Cincinnati indices were negative concerning SIBLEY BLACKWOOD COGSWELL, WILLIAM CURD SCHILLING, and CARL ALEXANDER SMITH.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 11/3/65

FROM : SAC, PITTSBURGH (100-15318) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau dated 10/25/65.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 6 copies and for Los Angeles 2 copies of LHM, dated and captioned as above regarding [redacted]

The LHM has been classified Confidential since data reported from [redacted] through [redacted] could reasonably result in identification of confidential informants of continuing value and compromise the future effectiveness thereof.

Investigation in this matter was conducted by SA [redacted]

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-55900) (RUC)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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Re Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau, dated 10/25/65, setting out the arrest of a number of people 10/19/60, in connection with the picketing of grape pickers at Delano, California.

Enclosed herewith are nine copies for the Bureau and two copies for Los Angeles of an LHM setting out available subversive information on those persons arrested.

Sources used to characterize individuals mentioned in the LHM are as follows:

[redacted]

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San Francisco, California
November 8, 1965

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO, CALIFORNIA

Reference is made to the memorandum prepared by the FBI at Los Angeles, California, dated October 25, 1965.

The following information is being set forth to reflect additional information on those persons arrested October 19, 1965, during the picketing of grape pickers at Delano, California, as shown in the files of the FBI, San Francisco, California:

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BAY AREA COUNCIL OF SOBELL COMMITTEES,
aka, Committee to Secure Justice for
Morton Sobell, Northern California
Council of Sobell Committees

A source advised on October 31, 1955, that the Bay Area Council of Sobell Committees (BACSC) was formed on October 17, 1955, in San Francisco, California, as th local affiliate of the National Sobell Committee to carry out the policies of the National Committee to obtain the freedom of MORTON SOBELL.

On May 3, 1965, a second source advised that the BACSC has its headquarters at 345 Franklin Street, San Francisco, California, and is continuing to function and plan future Sobell affairs.

On December 18, 1959, a third source advised that MARY KRVAR, a member of the Warehouse Club, Communist Party (CP), E st Bay Region, Oa land, California, and the paid organizer for the BACSC, has stated that the CP is interested in controlling the BACSC so that the BACSC will continue to follow the line of the National Sobell Committee in attempting to obtain the freedom of MORTON SOBELL.

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APPENDIX

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

"Following the execution of atomic spies Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, in June, 1953, the 'Communist campaign assumed a different emphasis. Its major effort centered upon Morton Sobell, the Rosenbergs' co-defendant. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case - a Communist front which had been conducting the campaign in the United States - was reconstituted as the National Rosenberg - Sobell Committee at a conference in Chicago in October, 1953, and then the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case' ..."

("Guide to Subversive Control Organizations and Publications, " dated December 1, 1951, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, page 116.)

In September, 1954, the name "National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell' appeared on literature issued by the Committee. In March, 1955, the current name, "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" first appeared on literature issued by the Committee.

The Address Telephone Directory for the Borough of Manhattan, New York City, as published by the New York Telephone Company on April 6, 1965, lists the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell as being located at 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York.

INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE (ISL), FORMERLY WORKERS PARTY (WP)

The May 4, 1942, issue of "Labor Action", then an official publication of the Workers Party (WP), carried an article which reflected that the WP was formed in April 1940, as a result of a split within the leadership of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP). The article stated that when the Hitler-Stalin Pact was signed and Poland invaded, the minority group within the SWP, in proclaiming the formation of the WP, condemned the pact as being imperialistic in nature and stated it would not support either imperialist camp.

The April 25, 1949, issue of "Labor Action" contained an account of the Fifth National Convention of the WP, held March 24-27, 1949, in New York City, which reflected the change of name of the organization from the WP to the Independent Socialist League (ISL) in order to emphasize the character of the group as a propaganda group for the spreading of socialist ideas and not as a full-fledged political party.

The July 14, 1958, issue of "Labor Action", an official publication of the ISL, contained an article captioned "The ISL Program in Brief." The article indicated: "The ISL stands for socialist democracy and against the two systems of exploitation which now divide the world: capitalism and Stalinism. The ISL, as a Marxist movement, looks to the working class and its ever-present struggle as the basic progressive force in society. The ISL is organized to spread the ideas of socialism in the labor movement and among all other sections of the people. There can be no lasting and genuine democracy without socialism and there can be no socialism without democracy."

The September 22, 1958, issue of "Labor Action" contained an undated statement signed by the Political Committee of the ISL which indicated that the ISL had been dissolved. The statement urged former ISL members to join the Socialist Party - Social Democratic Federation.

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

A source advised on May 21, 1958, that the San Francisco Bay Area Branch, Independent Socialist League, was an adjunct of the National Organization. The Branch had representation on the National Committee of the Independent Socialist League; it participated in the campaigns of the Independent Socialist League, and contributed financially to the support of the National Organization.

The source advised on August 11, 1958, that the San Francisco Bay Area Branch, Independent Socialist League, had dissolved itself and the members had joined the Local Branch of the Socialist Party - Social Democratic Federation.

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Title COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA

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CESAR CHAVEZ

Three persons were arrested as a result of the demonstration at the fairgrounds and at the Police Station.

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SUBJECT: Cesar Chavez & United Farm Workers et al.

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Date: 1/21/66

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)(P)

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Remyairtel to Bureau 10/25/65, and San Francisco airtel to Bureau 11/8/65.

Enclosed herewith are nine copies for Bureau and two copies for San Francisco of letterhead memorandum regarding above captioned matter.

Sources used in enclosed letterhead memorandum ar[redacted] as follows:

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The following sources were used to document individuals in the letterhead memorandum:

[redacted] - Documentation of [redacted]

[redacted] - Documentation of [redacted]

[redacted] - Documentations of [redacted]

[redacted] - Documentation of [redacted]

There are no Bureau approved Appendix Pages for the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee or for the Congress of Racial Equality.

Enclosed letterhead memorandum is classified confidential inasmuch as it contains information from sources of continuing value, dissemination of which might identify these sources and jeopardize their future effectiveness.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California

January 21, 1966

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO, CALIFORNIA

A source advised as follows on January 11, 1966:

Since the October, 1965, mass arrests of pickets in the Delano, California, area by the Kern County Sheriff's Office, there have been no disturbances of importance.

On the average there are approximately 40 pickets active in the Delano and adjoining Tulare County, California, area at the present time, during working hours in the vicinity of various farms in those areas. These pickets at time appeared to be attempting to provoke the farm workers in the fields through harassment into attacking them; however, no incidents have occurred to date. Source does not feel that the union organizers and pickets have the best interest of the farm workers at heart, but are merely "dead beats" and "trouble makers". Sixty three civic and church organizations have protested the actions of the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA), but NFWA seems to issue only ultimatums rather than make any reasonable attempts to resolve the problems that exist between the farm owners and the union, or to reach any solution to the problem at hand. With this in mind, source feels it is possible that fights could erupt between farm workers in the fields and pickets at any time in the future.

There appears to be no possibility of an end to the strike in the near future, and no agreements are foreseeable between NFWA and the growers. The future will bring mass picketing of all agricultural areas in the San Joaquin Valley and other California farm locations, in the opinion of the source.

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

As of December 1, 1965, Dolores Huerta, NFWA Vice President, was in Los Angeles, California, attempting to set up an NFWA office there. It is also believed that she is, and will be in the future instrumental in organizing boycotts of grapes, grape products, and labor recruiting in California, and possibly other agricultural localities in nearby states.

On December 16, 1965, Walter P. Reuther, Head of the United Auto Workers (UAW), AFL-CIO, met with officials of NFWA and the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee (AWOC) at Delano, California, and spoke before a group of approximately 500 farm workers. Reuther advised the growers and workers to solve their dispute at the earliest possible date. He said an injustice was being done the farm workers in the grape vineyards, and pledged UAW support in the amount of $5,000 per month for as long as it takes to assist the farm workers in organizing, adding that $10,000 would be donated for the month of December, 1965. With this support he feels that the NFWA and AWOC will be able to continue the Delano strike indefinitely.

The two main leaders of the NFWA are Wendy Goepel, who resides at Box 242, Three Rivers, California, and James Lynn Drake, a white male, born December 25, 1937, who resides at 1549 West Olive, Porterville, California, and who is supposedly a minister of the Congregational Church, 30664 Road 64, Visalia, California. Drake has been a member of the Migrant Ministry since 1962, and assisted Cesar Chavez, NFWA Director, in setting up the NFWA.

Harvey Richards, who resides at 14 Flood Circle, Atherton, California, and who drives a 1965 Oldsmobile station wagon, California license S75763, is reportedly a reporter for the "People's World" (PW). Richards appeared in Delano during the last part of September, 1965, or the first part of October, 1965, for approximately four days, taking photographs of the Delano strikers, but has not been seen since. Richards is the photographer who took the photograph of Dolores Huerta that appeared in the October 2, 1965, issue of the PW. Source does not know whether Richards came to Delano on specific request or merely appeared there as a reporter.

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

The PW is a West Coast communist newspaper.

Attempted boycotts of grapes and grape products are being made in various parts of California at the present time, and in some instances have been successful. These boycotts have also extended to other states as far away as New York, New York, Washington, D.C., and Chicago, Illinois. Some of the organizations participating in boycott activity are the Student Non Violent Coordinating Committee, the Congress on Racial Equality, and the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS).

> In respect to SDS, it is noted that the Preamble of the SDS Constitution states "Students for a Democratic Society is an association of young people on the left...; one bringing together liberals and radicals, activists and scholars, students and faculty. It feels the urgency to put forth a radical, democratic program counterposed to authoritarian movements both of Communism and the domestic Right."
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> During the 1965 National Convention of the SDS, the Preamble of the Constitution was amended to eliminate "counterposed to authoritarian movements both of Communism and the domestic Right." The SDS is opposed to present American foreign policy in Vietnam.

Although Cesar Chavez, NFWA Director, has stated that grape production was down 30% and that growers are looking more and more for "scabs", the fact is that the 1965 grape crop exceeded all past records, and was harvested without any major labor problems. However, the "El Malcriado", official publication of the NFWA, continued to claim during the harvest season that grapes were turning to raisins on the vines.

Chavez was arrested by the Tulare County, California Sheriff's Office during November, 1965, for illegal use of a loud speaker, has pleaded innocent, but the case is still

pending. Chavez's arrest resulted in his use of a loud speaker from an airplane, and he is presently out on $110 bail.

A second source advised as follows on October 29, 1965, and November 18, 1965:

The Mexican-American Political Association (MAPA) held its quarterly general membership meeting in the "Casa Del Mexicano", 529 South Euclid Street, Los Angeles, on October 17, 1965. The general membership meeting was handled differently, in that there were four topics to be discussed, one of which was "La Huelga" ("The Struggle") referring to the struggle of the NFWA in Delano and vicinity. Ten persons at this meeting attended a panel meeting concerning the NFWA. Two communists who attended the discussion were [redacted] and [redacted]. A report was given on the farm workers' plight in the strike area. After this report, a short discussion was held, and MAPA State President Edwardo Quevedo gave another report on the state-wide activity in this situation. The panel submitted a resolution to be discussed by the general membership that the MAPA organization should submit telegrams to the Governor of California, to the NFWA, to the State Agricultural Chairman, and to the AWOC, to the effect that MAPA should go on record to support the farm workers in their strike, and that the organization would support the struggle both spiritually, morally, and financially. The resolution was adopted unanimously by the general membership.

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A third source advised as follows on November 9, 1965:

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A fourth source advised as follows on November 16, 1965:

On November 7, 1965, [redacted] said she had just returned from Delano where she had gone with [redacted]. She stated that the strikers there were in desperate need of the following items: canned meat, milk, fruit, Mexican food, blankets, and money. She said they also needed a bus to transport the workers to jobs outside of Delano. [redacted] said they also need support, meaning people to come up and picket with them. She said the NFWA was the most progressive of the two unions involved in the strike. She said items collected could be brought to her home at [redacted] said that the Central Du Bois Club, [redacted] would probably take the collection of items on as a project.

[redacted]

The above is the end of information furnished by sources.

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

A notice appeared in issue No. 22 of the "El Malcriado" (this publication was not dated) which stated:

> "$1,000 Reward. El Malcriado will pay a cash reward of $1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons referring to the National Farm Workers Association, its leaders and officers, or El Malcriado and its representatives as 'communists' or 'communist-led', 'inspired' or any similar statements. Such references are false and illegal, and we intend to punish anyone saying these things to the full extent of the law."

Issue No. 26 of the "El Malcriado" dated December 22, 1965, stated that there were over 2,000 NFWA dues-paying families, and that an additional 4,000 people have authorized NFWA to act as their bargaining agent. It was also claimed that the NFWA credit union had assets of $28,000, which credit union had assets of only $37 in November, 1963.

This same issue advertised a book called "Huelga" written by Eugene Nelson, which is supposedly a fully documented account of the grape strike in Delano. This book is being sold for $1.50 by the Farm Worker Press, P.O. Box 1060, Delano.

The "Los Angeles Times" newspaper dated December 22, 1965, carried a photograph of actor Steve Allen, who reportedly joined pickets in front of an Encino, California market that were protesting the sale of grapes harvested in the Delano, California, area.

An article in this same paper quoted Delano area grape grower Bruno Dispoto as saying, "AWOC, the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee, and NFWA, the National Farm Workers Association, do not represent our workers. Our workers have rejected them for what they are, perpetrators of hate and

deceit in order to victimize innocent Filipinos and Mexican American groups". This article further stated that Filipinos and Mexican-American workers have a "fine" labor-management relationship and that growers hope these relations will continue "without outside harassment". He added that Delano growers had just harvested the largest grape crop in history, mostly with local workers.

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APPENDIX

CENTRAL LOS ANGELES DU BOIS CLUB
formerly known as the Youth Action
Union and Los Angeles Youth for
Peace and Socialism

A source advised on March 25, 1965, that during the period January through March, 1962, a series of formation meetings to establish a "Socialist Youth Organization," was held in the Los Angeles area. LEONARD POTASH was acting chairman in charge of the group and PAUL ROSENSTEIN and FRANKLIN ALEXANDER were named to a provisional committee to help organize the new group. On April 3, 1962, the group officially selected the name of Los Angeles Youth for Peace and Socialism, (LAYPS), and elected officers.

A second source advised that POTASH, ROSENSTEIN, and ALEXANDER as of 1963 were all members of the Southern California District Communist Party (SCDCP).

A third source advised on May 12, 1964, that the LAYPS was organized with the full knowledge and assistance of DOROTHY HEALEY, chairman of the SCDCP and that several Communist Party (CP) members had been approved by HEALEY to teach Marxist theory to members of the LAYPS. This source further advised that the LAYPS was to be a Marxist study and action group and that the teachings of KARL MARX were to be followed. Source also advised that although the alleged purpose of the group was to promote "Socialism" in the United States, the group considered themselves to be "Communist Party Orientated" and were anxious to study the brand of Marxism associated with the CPUSA.

The first source above further advised that in June, 1963, LAYPS changed the name of the organization to Youth Action Union (YAU) for two reasons: The first being that it was felt that LAYPS had gained a bad reputation because of its association with CP groups, the second because it was felt the word "Socialism" in the title was driving away possible recruits.

The first elected chairman of the LAYPS and YAU who continued in this position until early 1964, was MARVIN TREIGER, who as of April, 1964, was chairman of the Youth Commission, SCDCP. Since the organization's inception, key officers have been members of the CP.

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CENTRAL LOS ANGELES DU BOIS CLUB
formerly known as the Youth Action
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Peace and Socialism

The first source above advised that in August, 1964, the YAU affiliated with the W. E. B. Du Bois Clubs of America and adopted the name of Central Los Angeles W. E. B. Du Bois Club. This club continues to operate under the above name.

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Los Angeles, California

January 21, 1966

Title	COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, Delano, California
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - C
Reference	Los Angeles memorandum dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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DIRECTOR OF THE FEDERAL BUREA OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON

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CAN YOU CONFIRM RELIABLE INFORMATIONI HAVE RECEIVED THAT WENDY GOEPLE , WFA 27 ASSOCIATED WITH THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION , DELANO, WAS A DELEGATE TO THE 1958 YOUTH CONFERENCE AT HELSENKI, AND OBTAINED HER PASSPORT VIA THE HAWAIIN ISLANDS. HAS SHE BEEN PUBLICLY IDENTIFIED WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY.

MISS GOEPLE ATTENDED UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA , WAS A WELFARE WORKER AND TEACHER,WAS ON THE PAUL O'ROURKE ANTI-POVERTY PROGRAM, A VISTA WORKER IN THE VISALIA AREA PRIOR TO THE STRIKE.

IT IS TRUE THAT LUIS MIGUEL VALDEZ MEXICAN MALE ADULT CII 2780823 ASSOCIATED WITH THE SAME ORGANIZATION WAS AMONG

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A GROUP THAT MADE AN UNLAWFUL VISIT TO CUBA IN 1964.

AS YOU ARE AWARE THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION IS INVOLVED IN A STRIKE-CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT IN THIS CITY INVOLVING THE ORGANIZATION OF FARM WORKERS.

CAN YOU CONFIRM ADDITIONAL REPORTS THAT MODESTO DULEY ITLIONG ALIAS LARRY DULEY (LARRY ITLIONG) FILIPINO MALE ADULT 52 CII RECORD NUMBER 2873902 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE AGRICULTURAL WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE AFL-CIO A NATIVE OF THE FILIPINE ISLANDS HAS NOT BEEN PERMITTED TO RETURN THERE BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THAT COUNTRY BECAUSE OF HIS ACTIVITIESIN THE HUK UPRISING.

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February [illegible], 1966

[redacted]

Delano, California 93215

Dear [redacted]

Your telegram of February [illegible]rd has been received.

With respect to your inquiries, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. Therefore, I am certain you will understand why this Bureau is not in a position to furnish you the data you requested.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar [illegible]

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NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. The National Farm Workers Association is subject of a current Internal Security C case. The individuals she named appeared in Bureau files in connection with the communist-infiltration investigation of this group.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (62-0)

SUBJECT: U. S. SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ON MIGRATORY FARM LABOR INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Captioned committee, chaired by Senator HARRISON A. WILLIAMS, JR., Democrat - - New Jersey, and including Senators ROBERT and EDWARD KENNEDY, and Senator GEORGE MURPHY of California, has scheduled hearings in the San Joaquin Valley of California as follows:

March 14, Sacramento

March 15, Visalia

March 16, Delano

[redacted]

These hearings will encompass an examination of farm labor problems, studies of the prolonged Vineyard Strike which began in September, 1965, and field trips to inspect housing and sanitation facilities. Both growers and farm workers are expected to testify.

The Bureau has been advised on a continuing basis of the status of the vineyard worker's strike in the Delano, California area (LA file 100-67449, Cominfil of the National Farm Workers Association, Delano, California, LA-0; Buffile 100-444762).

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On the evening of 3/7/66, SA [redacted] a Resident Agent at Visalia, Calif., received a telephone call from [redacted] a member of Senator GEORGE MURPHY's staff. [redacted] an acquaintance of SA [redacted] inquired as to the status of the farm worker's strike and indicated he would precede Senator MURPHY to Calif. for the purpose of developing information concerning the strike which would be useful to Senator MURPHY in his interrogation of the committee's witnesses.

In accordance with existing Bureau instructions, [redacted] was advised that the disclosure of any information which the Bureau might possess could only be effected through appropriate liaison at the Seat of Government. [redacted] then stated that contact would be had by Senator MURPHY with appropriate officials at the Seat of Government.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

SAN FRANCISCO (100-55900)

FROM LOS ANGELES (100-67449)

[redacted]

COMINFIL, NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA. IS - C.

RE LOS ANGELES AIRTEL MARCH ELEVEN LAST.

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[redacted] ADVISED TODAY HE RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, THAT PROTEST MARCH FROM DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, WOULD BEGIN NINE AM, MARCH SEVENTEEN NEXT. FIFTY TO SIXTY MARCHERS WILL BEGIN WITH MORE DELEGATIONS JOINING EN ROUTE. LARGE NUMBER REPORTEDLY TO JOIN MARCH AT MODESTO, CALIFORNIA. MARCH WHICH IS BEING CALLED "TERIGRINACION ROUTE," WILL END ON APRIL TEN NEXT IN SACRAMENTO. HOUSING AND MEAL ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN PLANNED IN VARIOUS HOMES AT NIGHT AND MORNING AND ON THE ROAD DURING THE NOON HOURS.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449) (P)

RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
Delano, California
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Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau dated 1/21/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

Sources utilized in letterhead memorandum are [redacted]

The letterhead memorandum is classified CONFIDENTIAL since information reported from [redacted] could reasonably result in the identification of a confidential informant of continuing value and compromist the future effectiveness thereof.

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Los Angeles, California
March 9, 1966

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO, CALIFORNIA

On February 16, 1966, [redacted] advised as follows:

It had recently come to his attention that the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) had not received the $10,000.00 promised by Walter Reuther, United Auto Workers (UAW), in December, 1965. He said Cesar Chavez, President of NFWA, publically stated that the NFWA only received $1,000.00 and that the balance of $9,000.00 promised by Reuther, plus the $5,000.00 per month promised for the future, would not be made available until the NFWA had 75 per cent of the farm workers on strike.

He advised that no more than five per cent of the total number of farm workers in the Delano area had been on strike at any given period since September, 1965. He said Chavez had called Reuther a "four-flusher" because of his failure to support the NFWA with funds as previously promised. There are about 100 pickets presently in the Delano area demonstrating in the vicinity of liquor stores in an attempt to boycott Schenley products.

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on March 4, 1966, that [redacted] recently requested the House Committee on Un-American Activities in Washington, D. C. to investigate the NFWA in Delano.

On March 7, 1966, [redacted], advised as follows:

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO, CALIFORNIA

[redacted] California State Senate Fact Finding Committee on Un-American Activities is now in Delano, conducting a preliminary investigation regarding the Delano strike situation.

A Federal Sub-Committee on migratory farm labor, with offices in Washington, D. C., is scheduled to conduct investigation into the Delano matter starting March 16, 1966.

At the present time, there are no unusual problems in the Delano area. There is still scattered picketing in the farm areas around Delano and adjoining Tulare County, California, with a maximum of approximately 90 pickets at any given time. Picket boycotts of the liquor stores in Delano have now ceased.

On March 5, 1966, NBC Television camermen, apparently from Los Angeles, California, appeared in Delano. Ceasar Chavez apparently received advanced warning and managed to muster about 200 individuals to put on a picket exhibition for the television crew. It is felt by [redacted] that Chavez must have recruited "anyone that could hold picket sign" to obtain this large a number of pickets. No incidents were reported.

During May, 1966, a large influx of farm laborers will be arriving in Delano to tend the grape vines and information has been received that the NFWA will step-up their efforts to organize these laborers at that time.

There have been no problems with the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee, who unlike the NFWA, seem to adhere to established union rules of conduct.

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, [redacted] advised on March 7, 1966, that he had no information indicating that the CP had moved into the NFWA. He said the CP has not acted directly in fomenting strikes

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by influencing unions, for many years, but that the CP is active in supporting, and is attempting to exploit the present Delano grape strike through various mediums such as the "People's World" (PW), CP fronts and people who are sympathetic toward the CP.

The PW is a west coast communist newspaper.

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL-REGISTERED
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449) SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION

RE: COMINFIL,
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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[redacted]

Transmitted herewith for the Bureau are an original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination. Two copies are being furnished to the San Francisco Division, and one copy each is being disseminated locally to Region II, 115th INTC, Pasadena, U. S. Army; U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles; and Secret Service, Los Angeles, California.

The letterhead memorandum is being classified "Confidential" since information furnished by Source [redacted] who furnished oral information to SA [redacted] on 3/10/66, and [redacted] who furnished oral information to SA [redacted] on 3/11/66, could reasonably result in identification of confidential informants of continuing value and compromise effectiveness thereof.

It should be noted that other than the short article which appeared in the 3/14/66 issue of "Newsweek," a national magazine, on Page 19, under the caption "The Periscope," there has been no local publicity of such a march as described. Informants and sources of the Los Angeles

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Division who are familiar with some of the activities of Congress of Racial Equality, or are acquainted with its leadership, are not as yet aware of any information indicating such a march is under consideration.

The Los Angeles Division has assigned all pertinent informants and sources to continue to follow and report any developments as they occur which might indicate that a march as described in the letterhead memorandum will or will not take place, and the Bureau and interested offices and agencies will be promptly advised.

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SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. Will alert appropriate sources for any information they might have concerning a proposed march from Delano to Sacramento March 18 - April 10, 1966. Information developed should be expeditiously furnished to the Bureau, Los Angeles Division and appropriate agencies in a form suitable for dissemination.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Wick

DATE: 3-10-66

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ORGANIZATION DELANO, CALIFORNIA

[redacted]

On March 9, 1966, [redacted] contacted Bureau Headquarters and requested a representative to stop by to see him. On March 10, 1966, SA [redacted] called on the [redacted]

[redacted] stated the Senate Subcommittee on Migratory Labor, chaired by Senator Harrison A. Williams (D-N. J.) is going to open hearings on Monday, March 14, 1966, in Sacramento, California, into various farm labor activities, including the current National Farm Workers Association strike against grape growers in the Delano, California, area. [redacted] He stated he continues to receive information indicating communist activity and communist influence in this strike operation, and he hopes to get to the bottom of this through the Subcommittee's hearings. He furnished [redacted] the enclosed list of fifty individuals reportedly involved with the strike activity and asked if we would check these individuals and furnish him any information indicating communist association. [redacted] reminded [redacted] that in October, 1965, we furnished him background information on several of the individuals listed. He pointed out that without identifying data, any check on the individuals would be inconclusive. [redacted] then revised his request and asked if we could furnish him on a confidential basis any information we may have indicating communist activity or influence relating to the current farm workers strike in his area. He stated that he will be going to California on Friday, March 11, 1966, and asked that any information we are able to furnish him be supplied to [redacted] who could relay same to him in California.

Our relations with [redacted] have been cordial in the past and we have previously furnished him some data regarding persons involved in the farm workers strike. Our current investigation under the above caption was instituted in October, 1965, based on information furnished by [redacted]

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PROPOSED MARCH SPONSORED BY CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY, DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, MARCH 18, 1966, TO APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Source 1, it was [redacted] opinion that CORE would support such a project, but doubted if the organization would actually organize and direct the march as CORE did not feel the Negro people were too involved in such a project since most of the farm workers and grape vineyard tenders were either Mexican-American or Orientals.

On March 11, 1966, Source 2 advised a meeting of [redacted] the Southern California District Communist Party was held in Los Angeles on the evening of [redacted] During the course of the meeting, [redacted] Southern California District Communist Party, briefly discussed the fact that plans were under consideration for a march from Delano, California, to Sacramento, California, a distance of some 300 miles, in support of the Delano grape strike. [redacted] pointed out that the "Kennedy Senate Committee" (U. S. Senate Subcommittee on Migratory Farm Labor chaired by Senator Harrison A. Williams, Jr., and including Senators Robert Kennedy, Edward Kennedy and George Murphy) will hold hearings in Delano on March 16, 1966. According to [redacted] it was suggested the march be held after the Senate Committee hearings and to possibly begin on Sunday, April 3, 1966, or Monday, April 4, 1966. [redacted] suggested the march could be started any time after April 1, 1966, which was the start of the Easter vacation, and, in this way, CORE, the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), and all the students could join in the march. [redacted] noted the real question facing the proposed march was the fact that Governor Edmond G. "Pat" Brown, Governor of State of California, was attempting to put pressure on the "Kennedy Senate Committee" hearings not to go to Delano because it might be conducive to starting a riot, and if the "Kennedy Senate Committee" did go to Delano, it would hurt the Governor's chances during the California State Primary on June 7, 1966. [redacted] stated Brown was against the march and was making every effort to muster his forces to stop the march since he felt it was planned for a very poor time. [redacted] reported that James Hoffa would possibly be in the Los Angeles area and efforts would be made to have Hoffa participate in the march in some way.

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Los Angeles, California
March 11, 1966

PROPOSED MARCH SPONSORED BY CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY, DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, MARCH 18, 1966, TO APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

The March 14, 1966 issue of "Newsweek," a national magazine, on Page 19, under the caption "The Periscope," reported:

> "The Long March
> The Longest protest march to date is scheduled for late this month in California. The Congress of Racial Equality has mustered about 50 marchers as the nucleus of a force that will spend from March 18 until April 10 (Easter Sunday) covering the 250 miles from Delano, Calif., to the state capital of Sacramento. (The Selma, Ala., marchers covered 54 miles.) Purpose of the trek is to support the six-months-old grapeworkers' strike in the Delano area."

The following information was furnished by sources who have furnished reliable information in the past:

On March 10, 1966, Source 1 advised he had been in contact with [redacted] Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), Los Angeles, California, and [redacted] did not appear to have any details on the article, which appeared in "Newsweek" magazine March 14, 1966, as to its source or concerning the proposed march. According to

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M. A. Jones to Wick memo
RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ORGANIZATION

This is a limited inquiry which is concerned with determining whether there is communist infiltration of the National Farm Workers Association, the organization which initiated and controls this strike. We have received reports that in [redacted], the Communist Party [redacted] in Los Angeles, met at the home of [redacted] to discuss the farm strike and the role that the communists might have in aiding the strikers. [redacted]

Sources have reported that Harvey Richards, Atherton, California, a reporter for the "Peoples' World," has covered certain portions of the strike activity around Delano, California, and that he took a photograph of Delores Huerta, Vice President of the National Farm Workers Association, which photograph appeared in the October 2, 1965, issue of "Peoples' World." Sources did not know whether Richards came to the Delano area to cover the strike at the specific request of individuals connected with the National Farm Workers Association or merely was their as a reporter.

It was reported in November, 1965, that [redacted] a member of the Central Du Bois Club of Los Angeles, had been in the Delano, California, area in connection with obtaining aid for the striking farmers. She was accompanied by [redacted], who has also been identified as a member of the Central Du Bois Club of Los Angeles. This Club reportedly has made a concerted effort to collect food and clothing for the striking farm workers. It is apparent that there is considerable communist interest in this farm workers strike, but it appears that, at present, the actual communist influence is only marginal at best.

RECOMMENDATION:

That someone in your office confidentially advise [redacted] regarding above information.

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PROPOSED MARCH SPONSORED BY CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY, DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, MARCH 18, 1966, TO APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted] also noted that there are many mechanical factors involved in a march of this distance, noting that, for example, portable toilets, shoes, clothing would be needed. [redacted] noted that the march would not have too many participants at its start in Delano, California, but the expectation was that it would grow by the time the marchers reached Fresno, California, particularly if the students were able to participate.

On March 11, 1966, the foregoing was discussed with [redacted] Region II, U. S. Army, 115th INTC, Pasadena, by Special Agent [redacted]. Information copies of this memorandum are being furnished to the U. S. Army and Secret Service, Los Angeles, for information and the completion of their files, and also to U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles.

The California Highway Patrol, the Kern County Sheriff's Office (both of Bakersfield, California), and the Delano, California Police Department have been advised of the planned march from Delano to Sacramento, California. The Los Angeles Police Department and Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office are fully cognizant of the proposed march.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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TELETYPE

Mr. [illegible]
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FBI LOS ANG.

10:28 PM PST URGENT 3-17-66 KH

TO DIRECTOR 100-444762

FROM LOS ANGELES 100-67449

COMINFIL OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA; IS-C

[redacted]

RE LOS ANGELES AIRTEL TO BUREAU WITH LHM, BOTH DATED MARCH FOURTEEN, LAST.

MARCH GROUP GATHERED AT NFWA HEADQUARTERS, DELANO, CALIFORNIA, AND AT ABOUT NINE AM CONFERRED WITH POLICE OFFICIALS ABOUT SUDDEN CHANGE IN MARCH ROUTE THROUGH CITY OF DELANO. THIS CAUSED DELAY SINCE ORIGINAL PLAN WAS TO GO NORTH OF DOWNTOWN AREA. MARCH BEGAN AT ABOUT TEN THIRTY AM, PROCEEDED THROUGH HEART OF DOWNTOWN DELANO, AND GROUP NOW IN TULARE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA HEADED FOR DUCOR, CALIFORNIA. DELAY WAS ALSO RESULT OF GROUP NOT FILING FOR CITY PARADE PERMIT. MARCH GROUP BEGAN WITH ABOUT ONE HUNDRED PERSONS, ABOUT SEVENTYFIVE PERCENT MEXICAN-AMERICANS OR FILIPINOS, AND REMAINDER ANGLO AMERICANS EXCEPT FOR

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TWO OR THREE NEGROES. GROUP CARRIED NFWA FLAGS AND "HUELGA" SIGNS, SANG AND SHOUTED "HUELGA", BUT WERE PEACEFUL. NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS HAVE OCCURRED.

AFFAIR WAS GIVEN PUBLICITY BY ALL NEWS MEDIA AND WILL PROBABLY RECEIVE NATIONWIDE ATTENTION. CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL, FRESNO AND MERCED COUNTY SO'S AND LOCAL PD'S ALONG LINE OF MARCH ALERTED.

AIRTEL AND LHM FOLLOWS.

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Date: 3/14/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)

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SUBJECT: COMINFIL
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
IS - C

[redacted]

Re Los Angeles airtel and letterhead memorandum to Director dated 3/11/66 and Los Angeles teletype 3/14/66.

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Sources used in enclosed LHM are as follows: [redacted]

Source One [redacted]

ENCLO

3 - Bureau (Encls: 8)
2 - Chicago (Encls: 2)(AM - REGISTERED)
2 - San Francisco (Encls: 2)(100-55900)(AM - REGISTERED)
7 - Los Angeles (1 - 105-255 - CORE)
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The LHM is being classified "Confidential" since information furnished by [redacted] who furnished information orally to SA [redacted] on [redacted] could reasonably result in identification of a confidential informant of continuing value and compromise effectiveness thereof.

LEADS

CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS: Will check indices on PAUL BOOTH and submit pertinent and subversive information in LHM suitable for dissemination.

SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA: Check indices on DONNA SUE HABER and submit pertinent and subversive information in a LHM suitable for dissemination.

Will closely follow and report pertinent details of protest march in LHM suitable for dissemination.

LOS ANGELES

AT BAKERSFIELD, VISALIA, FRESNO AND MERCED, CALIFORNIA: Will alert local police departments and other law enforcement agencies of details instant march and alert confidential sources to report any pertinent information immediately.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Los Angeles, California
March 14, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

PROPOSED MARCH SPONSORED BY
CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY,
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
MARCH 18, 1966, TO APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to memorandum dated March 11, 1966, at Los Angeles, California.

The following information was furnished by sources who have furnished reliable information in the past:

On March 10, 1966, Source One advised that after learning of an article in "Newsweek," a national magazine, concerning a proposed protest march from Delano to Sacramento, California, to be organized by the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), he personally asked Donna Sue Haber, Office Secretary for the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA), if such a march was being organized. Haber advised that she was unaware of such a march and even asked other officials of NFWA about it, but officials all denied any knowledge of the march. [redacted]

On March 10, 1966, [redacted] advised that he expected a large number of people in Delano for the Senate Sub-Committee on Migratory Farm Labor meeting at Delano on March 16, 1966, which meeting was scheduled to be held at the 700 capacity auditorium of the Delano High School. He said the Sub-Committee consisted

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DATE [illegible]

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of Chairman Harrison A. Williams (D - New Jersey), Senator George Murphy (R - California), Senators Robert F. Kennedy (D - New York), Edward M. Kennedy (D - Massachusetts), Gaylor D. Nelson (D - Wisconsin) and Winston Prouty (R - Vermont).

[redacted] advised that he had heard that Wendy Goepel NFWA Spokesman, had done some type of work for Senator Harrison Williams in the past and growers in the area were concerned that the Committee would be strictly on the side of NFWA, the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee and striking farm workers.

[redacted] advised that the above Senate Sub-Committee would meet at the Senate Office Building in Sacramento, California, on Monday, March 14, 1966; would be in Visalia, California, on March 15, 1966; and in Delano on March 16, 1966.

On March 10, 1966, Source Two advised that Paul Booth, Director of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), Chicago, Illinois, had been in Delano, California, for the past several days at the NFWA office. Source Two stated that it had been reported that the SDS group in Chicago planned to send large numbers of students to Delano during the summer of 1966 to assist the NFWA in their cause.

> In respect to SDS, it is noted that the Preamble of the SDS Constitution states "Students for a Democratic Society is an association of young people on the left...; one bringing together liberals and radicals, activists and scholars to put forth a radical, democratic program counterposed to authoritarian movements both of Communism and the domestic Right."
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> During the 1965 National Convention of the SDS, the Preamble of the Constitutuion was amended to eliminate "counterposed to authoritarian movements both of Communism and the domestic Right." The SDS is opposed to present American foreign policy in Vietnam.

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On March 14, 1966, Source Three advised that at a recent meeting of the Mexican - American Political Association (MAPA), a statement was made that the march from Delano to Sacramento, California, was definitely on and would start at 4:00 PM on March 16, 1966 right after the Senate Sub-Committee on Migratory Farm Labor left Delano. This source also advised that the news media was being told that the march was definitely off but that this was merely a ruse.

On March 14, 1966, [redacted], advised that representatives of the NFWA filed the following itinerary for their march from Delano to Sacramento, California, which would start at 9:00 AM on March 17, 1966:

Days of March	Date	Location of Each Stop	Cities to Pass Through
1	3/17/66	Ducor	Richgrove
2	3/18/66	Porterville	Terra Bella
3	3/19/66	Lindsay	Strathmore
4	3/20/66	Farmersville	Exeter
5	3/21/66	Visalia	———
6	3/22/66	Cutler	———
7	3/23/66	Parlier	Dinuba and Reedley
8	3/24/66	Malaga	Fowler
9	3/25/66	Highway City	Calwa and Fresno
10	3/26/66	Madera	Herndon
11	3/27/66	Chowchilla	———
12	3/28/66	Merced	———
13	3/29/66	Livingston	Atwater
14	3/30/66	Turlock	Delhi
15 & 16	3/31-4/1/66	Modesto (will pick up large number here to continue on to Sacramento)	Keyes and Ceres
17	4/2/66	Manteca	Ripon and Salida
18 & 19	4/3,4/66	Stockton	———
20	4/5/66	Lodi	———
21-24	4/6-9/66	Traveling from Lodi to Sacramento	———
25	4/10/66	Sacramento	———

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[redacted] advised that 50 to 60 marchers would begin the march and more delegations would be joining at various times en route to Sacramento. He said the marchers would have their meals at various homes at night and in the morning and on the road for lunch. He said this march was being called "Peregrinacion Route."

The line of march as set forth above was furnished to [redacted] Region II, 115th INTC, U. S. Army, Pasadena, by SA [redacted] at 2:45 PM, March 14, 1966.

Copies of this letterhead memorandum are being furnished to U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles, U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles, and Region II, for information and completion of their files.

Law enforcement agencies whose towns cover the line of march have been alerted.

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APPENDIX

W. E. B. DU BOIS CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO
aka Du Bois Youth Group, San Francisco
Du Bois Club, San Francisco Du Bois
Youth Group, Student-Labor Alliance

A source advised that on January 31, 1963, the W. E. B. Du Bois Club of San Francisco held its first general meeting at California Hall, Polk and Turk Streets, San Francisco, California. The aims of the Club were put forth as follows:

(1) alleviate the Negro problem in the U.S.

(2) promote peaceful co-existence between the U.S. and Russia

(3) promote and encourage Marxist doctrines and to bring about a socialistic government in the U.S.

This organization publishes a newsletter entitled, "San Francisco News & World Report". In its first issue, dated March 3, 1963, there was set forth a "Proposed Statement of Principles" in which the aforementioned aims were elaborated upon.

In this same issue of the "San Francisco News & World Report," the lead editorial in part describes the W. E. B. Du Bois Club of San Francisco as "...a group of young people who are convinced that Socialism is the only answer to the many problems of our time and so find philosophical rapport with the life and thought of Dr. Du Bois, nevertheless we are weighted with humility in comparing our goals and ambitions with the genius of his life and work. As a source is inspiration the figure of W. E. B. Du Bois is unequaled in American history, but as a standard and example, we seem miserably lost in his shadow. We can only resolve that we do his name no dishonor, and whatever we may accomplish should be recognized as a supplement to his life work."

The November 25, 1961, issue of the "People's World", a west coast communist newspaper published weekly in San Francisco, California, contains an article on page 12 reflecting that W. E. B. Du Bois joined the Communist Party after applying for admission on October 1, 1961.

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W. E. B. DU BOIS CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO
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Youth Group, Student-Labor Alliance

On May 10, 1963, the source informed that the "San Francisco News & World Report", although written and edited by members of the Club, is run off on a mimeograph machine located in the office of the "People's World".

This same source advised that as of May, 1963, the W. E. B. Du Bois Club of San Francisco has no permanent headquarters but the majority of its general meetings are held on Sunday afternoon at 307 Page Street, Apartment 3, San Francisco, California.

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (REGISTERED)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449) (P)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA IS - C

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[redacted]

Re Los Angeles teletype to the Bureau dated 3/17/66.

The title of letterhead memorandum (LHM) attached has been changed to delete CORE as sponsor of march, since no definite information received that CORE is actually sponsoring same.

Submitted herewith for Bureau are original and seven copies of LHM suitable for dissemination. Two copies are being furnished San Francisco and one copy each is being designated locally to Region II, 115th INTC, Pasadena, USA, Los Angeles, U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles, ONI, Los Angeles, and OSI, Los Angeles.

The California Highway Patrol, Fresno, Tulare and Merced Counties Sheriff Offices and local police departments along the line of march have been alerted. Incidents and arrests, if any, will be followed and reported in form suitable for dissemination.

3 - Bureau (Encls. 8) (RM)
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SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA: Closely follow and report pertinent information of march in LHM suitable for dissemination.

LOS ANGELES

AT BAKERSFIELD, VISALIA, FRESNO AND MERCED, CALIFORNIA: Follow and report pertinent information regarding march in LHM suitable for dissemination.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California

March 17, 1966

MARCH SPONSORED BY NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION FROM DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA MARCH 17, 1966 TO APRIL 10, 1966 INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to memorandum dated March 14, 1966 at Los Angeles, California, captioned "Proposed March Sponsored by Congress of Racial Equality, Delano to Sacramento, California, March 18, 1966 to April 10, 1966 - Information Concerning."

On March 17, 1966, [redacted] advised as folows:

The National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) sponsored march group gathered at NFWA Headquarters, 102 Albany, Delano, during the early morning of March 17, 1966. At approximately 9:00 a m , March 17, 1966, the group proceeded to the corner of Garces and Albany, Delano, where they conferred with officials of the Delano Police Department concerning a sudden change in the march route. NFWA spokesmen had originally notified police officials at Delano that they would be taking a route north of the downtown section of Delano

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while enroute to the Tulare - Kern County line; however, just before the march was to begin, they put the police department on notice to the effect that they would be marching directly through Main Street, Delano, the heart of the downtown section. After numerous discussions between NFWA and police department officials, authorization was granted for the march to proceed down Main Street. The march started at approximately 10:30 a.m., and continued across the Tulare - Kern County line to Ducor, California. There were approximately 100 persons involved at the beginning of the march, including men, women and small children. About seventy-five percent of the marchers were Mexican-Americans or Filipinos and the remainder Anglo-Caucasians, with two or three Negroes. The march group carried NFWA official flags and "Huelga" signs, sang, and shouted "Huelga", but otherwise were peaceful and orderly.

On March 17, 1966, [redacted] advised that the march had originally been delayed because of the change of plans of the march route by NFWA shortly before the march was to commence and because no city parade permit had been requested or issued.

On the afternoon of March 17, 1966, [redacted] advised that the marchers had crossed into Tulare County, California and that no incidents or arrests had occurred thus far. [redacted] said the affair was given publicity by all news media and will no doubt receive nationwide attention. He said the march is still to be conducted from Delano to Sacramento, with plans to arrive in Sacramento on April 10, 1966.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)

RE: CHANGED:
COMINFIL, NATIONAL FARM
WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO,
CALIFORNIA
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[redacted]

The caption on the letterhead memorandum has been reworded to read, "PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, March 18, 1966 - April 10, 1966, INFORMATION CONCERNING." It will be noted that Congress of Racial Equality has been deleted in the absence of any information reflecting CORE is sponsoring the march.

Re Los Angeles airtel and letterhead memorandum, dated 3/14/66.

Transmitted herewith for the Bureau are an original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination. Two copies are being furnished to the San Francisco Division and one copy each is being disseminated locally to Region II, 115th INTC, U. S. Army, Pasadena; U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles; U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; Office of Naval Intelligence; and Office of Special Investigations.

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LOS ANGELES

AT MERCED, CALIFORNIA. Will continue to closely follow and report pertinent details of the protest march in a form suitable for dissemination.

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SAN FRANCISCO

AT MODESTO, CALIFORNIA. Will closely follow and report pertinent details of the protest march in a form suitable for dissemination.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California
March 28, 1966

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
March 18, 1966 - April 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to memorandum dated March 14, 1966, captioned, "PROPOSED MARCH SPONSORED BY CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY, DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, MARCH 18, 1966, TO APRIL 10, 1966, INFORMATION CONCERNING."

On March 27, 1966, [redacted] advised he had received information from [redacted] National Farm Workers Association march, that the marchers traveled by cars from Chowchilla, California, to Merced, California, where they intend to remain through March 28, 1966. The sudden change of plans was occasioned by the absence of proper housing and eating facilities for the marchers in the Chowchilla, California, area. On Tuesday, March 29, 1966, the marchers will return to Chowchilla by car and will resume the march on foot, to arrive in Merced, California, during the evening hours of March 29, 1966.

[redacted] stated information had been received reflecting that approximately seventy-five marchers from the Salinas, California, area will arrive in Merced on March 28, 1966, and will join the approximately one-hundred individuals who are currently in the march. It is expected that approximately two-hundred additional individuals will join the marchers at Turlock, California, and another 200 will join the marchers at Modesto, California, and by the time the marchers reach Stockton,

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INFORMATION CONCERNING

California, there will be approximately fifteen-hundred in all. [redacted] noted that according to [redacted] the marchers will be joined by their largest group of individuals at Stockton, and it is expected that many of the new marchers will be from the San Francisco area.

[redacted] noted that on Wednesday, March 30, 1966, the marchers expect to be in Livingston, California, and on Thursday, March 31, 1966, expect to be in Turlock, California.

[redacted] anticipates approximately three-hundred of the marchers at a rally to be conducted in Merced on Monday night, March 28, 1966. He anticipates no trouble, even though he expects a number of the marchers to parade through local streets with candles, as they have been doing in cities they have passed through in the past.

[redacted] noted that thus far a majority of the marchers on the line of march have been housed in private residences and have had their evening and morning meals at places of lodging, whereas noon meals are held in parks along the line of march, with food being donated by various sympathizers. The marchers have a field kitchen for emergencies, as well as chemical toilets, and they are in possession of a car equipped with a two-way car radio, bearing the call number KFZ-478, as well as a car with a radio telephone, the number of which is not known. The marchers walk from 0730 to 1700 hours daily. There is generally a briefing at 0700 hours by the group captain on the spot where the march terminated the night before, at which time the line of march is carefully outlined to the marchers.

[redacted]

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PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
March 18, 1966 - April 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Copies of this letterhead memorandum are being furnished to the U. S. Attorney and U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles, as well as to Region II, 115th INTC, U. S. Army, Pasadena; Office of Special Investigations, Chcli Air Force Base, Maywood; and Office of Naval Intelligence, Los Angeles.

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Date: 4/1/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-55900)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL, NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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[redacted]

Re Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau, 3/28/66.

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LEAD

SAN FRANCISCO

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AT STOCKTON AND SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA: Will closely follow and report pertinent details of the protest march in a form suitable for dissemination.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

San Francisco, California
April 1, 1966

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
MARCH 18, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On April 1, 1966, [redacted], advised that he has received information that the marchers arrived at Turlock, California, at approximately 4:00 p.m., March 31, 1966, as scheduled. They spent the night at Turlock, California, and no incidents occurred. They departed Turlock, California, at approximately 8:15 a.m., April 1, 1966, en route Modesto, California, and a stop at Ceres, California, was scheduled for approximately 1:00 p.m.

[redacted] advised that the marchers arrived at Modesto, California, at about 2:30 p.m., April 1, 1966, and a rally was scheduled to be conducted at Graceada Park at approximately 6:00 p.m. Upon arrival in Modesto, the Police Department refused issuance of permit for rally to marchers since Graceada Park was willed to City under stipulation that it be used only for cultural purposes and if otherwise used property would revert to estate of donor. The marchers are scheduled to spend the night in private residences and are scheduled to depart Modesto at approximately 8:30 a.m., April 2, 1966, en route Manteca, California, where they are scheduled to arrive at approximately 4:00 p.m.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - DeLoach
1 - Sullivan
1 - [redacted]

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: April 5, 1966

FROM : C. D. DeLOACH

SUBJECT: [redacted]

SCHENLEY INDUSTRIES, INC.
INFORMATION RE COMMUNISM

[redacted]

[redacted] told me that his company has undergone a very provoking experience within the past several weeks. He stated that several people working under the guise of the National Farm Workers Association, have encouraged the Bartenders Association to boycott Schenley products. [redacted] feels that these people are receiving money from Walter Reuther, however, he has no proof of this fact.

[redacted] stated that Harold Draper and Saul David Alinsky are professional agitators and possibly obeying instructions of the Communist Party. He stated that Alinsky is a personal friend of Walter Reuther's. Alinsky is reportedly quite friendly with an individual named Chabez. Chabez is of Mexican descent, however, he was born in Arizona. Alinsky recently wrote a book entitled "Reveille for Radicals." Alinsky is receiving support also from a Father Vizzard who, according to [redacted] is also a radical.

[redacted] indicated he was advising the FBI of the above facts to let us know that the Communist Party had moved into private industry. I thanked him for his information.

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MEMO: DeLOACH TO TOLSON
RE: [redacted]

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ACTION:

None. This memo should be forwarded to the Domestic Intelligence Division for information.

FBI

Date: 4/4/66

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662)

SUBJECT: MARCH SPONSORED BY CHICAGO CITIZENS' COMMITTEE TO AID DELANO FARM WORKERS IN SUPPORT OF PILGRIMAGE OF MEXICAN-AMERICAN FARM WORKERS FROM DELANO, CALIFORNIA, TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, 4/3/66
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Reference is made to Los Angeles airtel to Bureau dated 3/14/66, captioned, "COMINFIL, National Farm Workers Association, Delano, California, IS - C."

Enclosed are eight copies of a self-explanatory LHM regarding captioned matter.

Indices of the Chicago Office reflect no information identifiable with the Chicago Citizens' Committee to Aid Delano Farm Workers or the Cardinal's Committee for the Spanish Speaking.

The following individuals advised they had no knowledge of the 4/3/66, demonstration other than information that appeared in the "Chicago Sun Times," which is set forth in the enclosed LHM:

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3 - Bureau (Encs. 8) (RM)
2 - Los Angeles (100-67449) (Encs. 2) (RM)
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Approved: (9) Special Agent in Charge

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A copy of the LHM is being furnished to the United States Attorney, U.S. Secret Service and 113th INTC Group, Region I, all Chicago, Illinois. Also, copies of the LHM are being furnished to San Francisco and Los Angeles in view of their interest in this matter.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois
April 4, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 100-42662

MARCH SPONSORED BY CHICAGO CITIZENS' COMMITTEE TO AID DELANO FARM WORKERS IN SUPPORT OF PILGRIMAGE OF MEXICAN-AMERICAN FARM WORKERS FROM DELANO, CALIFORNIA, TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, APRIL 3, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

The "Chicago Sun Times," a Chicago area daily newspaper issue of April 4, 1966, page 27, reported that on April 3, 1966, more than 250 persons paraded on the near west side of Chicago in a demonstration of support for migrant farm laborers on strike at Delano, California.

The march began at St. Francis Assisi Church, 813 West Roosevelt, and wound through Mexican-American and Puerto Rican neighborhoods to St. Pius Church, 1909 South Ashland.

Bearing placards reading "Huelga!" (strike) and "Farm Workers Demand Bargaining Rights," the demonstrators sang litanies as they trooped down the sidewalks.

They were demonstrating sympathy for a band of grape pickers who are making a 300 mile pilgrimage from Delano to Sacramento, California, according to the Rev. Donald Headly, director of the Cardinal's Committee for the Spanish Speaking. The committee organized the march for the Chicago Citizens' Committee to Aid Delano Farm Workers.

On April 4, 1966, [redacted], advised that the above march was an annual "sidewalk parade" of Spanish speaking Americans who marched between churches in connection with Holy Week. He stated that in connection with the "sidewalk parade" the marchers were expressing sympathy with persons of similar background who were marching from Delano to Sacramento, California.

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MARCH SPONSORED BY CHICAGO
CITIZENS' COMMITTEE TO AID
DELANO FARM WORKERS IN SUPPORT
OF PILGRIMAGE OF MEXICAN-AMERICAN
FARM WORKERS FROM DELANO, CALIFORNIA,
TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, CHICAGO,
ILLINOIS, APRIL 3, 1966

[redacted] stated that the Chicago Citizens' Committee to Aid Delano Farm Workers was unfamiliar to him but it would appear that the name was being utilized only in connection with the April 3, 1966 parade.

The above information has been furnished to the United States Attorney, United States Secret Service and 113th INTC Group, Region I, all Chicago, Illinois.

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July 9, 1973

Director
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Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Sir:

I have been appalled by the reports of violence by the Teamsters against the picketing United Farm Workers in the Coachella Valley in California. I encourage you to do all that you can in your new job to ensure that the Farm Workers are protected in their right to strike, and that violence does not win the day.

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]

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FBI

Date: 4/5/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION

RE: COMINFIL, NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA
IS-C

Re Los Angeles airtel and letterhead memorandum captioned as above, dated 3/28/66.

Transmitted herewith for the Bureau are an original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination, two copies of which are being furnished to the San Francisco Division and one copy each for Region II, 115th INTC, U. S. Army, Pasadena; U. S. Attorney and U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; Office of Naval Intelligence and Office of Special Investigations. Information copies are being furnished to San Francisco inasmuch as the marchers are currently reported to be in that area.

The foregoing was orally furnished to U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles, and Region II, U. S. Army, Pasadena, by SA [redacted] on 4/5/66 in view of the fact that General DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER is presently residing at El Dorado Country Club, Palm Desert, California.

The source utilized in the letterhead memorandum is [redacted]

X The letterhead memorandum is not being classified "confidential" since the information came from a radio broadcast.

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2 - San Francisco (Encls.-2)(AM-REGISTERED)
2 - Los Angeles

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Approved _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

The Riverside County Sheriff's Office; Riverside, California, Police Department; and the Palm Springs, California, Police Department are fully cognizant of the plans for the proposed march.

LEAD

LOS ANGELES DIVISION

AT RIVERSIDE-PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA. Will maintain contact with local law enforcement agencies in Riverside and Palm Springs, California, and will report any arrests or incidents that might occur as a result of this march, in a form suitable for dissemination.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California
April 5, 1966

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
MARCH 17, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to memorandum dated March 28, 1966.

On March 25, 1966, [redacted], advised that members of the Delano-Sacramento march, sponsored by the National Farm Workers Association, paraded in downtown Fresno, California, on March 25, 1966, and met briefly with Mayor Floyd H. Hyde on the steps of the City Hall. More than 1000 persons attended a rally on the evening of March 25th at the Azteca Theater, West Fresno, a movie house which features Spanish-speaking films. After the rally, Caesar Chavez expressed disappointment upon receiving the news that Governor Edmund G. Brown, Governor of the State of California, planned to be vacationing in Palm Springs, California, when the marchers arrived in Sacramento on Easter Sunday, April 10, 1966. Chavez, when told the Governor had stated he planned to "pay his respects" to the marchers along their route to the Capitol, stated, "We're not interested in respects....We're interested in action."

On April 5, 1966, "The Daily Enterprise," a Riverside, California, publication, reported that Governor Edmund G. "Pat" Brown has been asked to meet with some 500 supporters of striking Delano grape workers in Palm Springs on Easter Sunday, on the grounds of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. According to the article, Brown was not available for immediate comment.

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ENCLOSURE

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PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
MARCH 17, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

The article continued that the invitation was telegraphed to Governor Brown by leaders of a group that have plans to hold a mile-long parade down Palm Canyon Drive in Palm Springs, in protest of the Governor's refusal to make himself available on Easter to the strikers en route to Sacramento, California.

The group, identified as the Riverside County Committee in Support of the Delano Grape Strikers, said they planned to ask the Governor to back establishment of a state minimum wage law. Joe Aguilar, identified as Co-Chairman of the newly-formed committee, is quoted as saying, "What he is being asked to do is simply acknowledge the strike and give support and encouragement for a minimum wage." Aguilar is a school leader and holds elective public office as a member of the Riverside City College Board of Trustees.

The parade is scheduled to begin at 2:30, Easter Sunday afternoon, and has a route to the downtown area of Palm Springs, California.

Aguilar, according to the article, said that some 300 persons have already enlisted for the march and will include people of various religious faiths, students and faculty members from the University of California at Riverside. He also said that the signs to be carried will be subject to approval by group leaders because "we don't want anything that would be off-color or offensive."

Aguilar also is quoted as saying, "We are ready to move into Riverside and Imperial Counties and urge a general strike if the disputes cannot be settled.

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
MARCH 17, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

The article identified members of the committee as being Arthur Jurado, Vice-President of Palm Springs Mexican Colony Club; Dr. Eugene Cota-Robles, University of California at Riverside Professor; and Douglas Boyes, University of California at Riverside student.

On April 5, 1966, a confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that on the morning of April 5, 1966, a man appeared on the Joe Pyne Radio Program on Station KLAC, Los Angeles, stating that a march is being planned, originating at Ninth and Park Streets in Riverside, California, to proceed to Palm Springs, California. He stated that since Governor Brown will not be in Sacramento on Easter Sunday, but will be in Palm Springs, a group of approximately one-thousand participants will march to Palm Springs in sympathy with the Delano-Sacramento marchers. He stated that the group expects many nuns and priests to participate in the march.

Copies of this memorandum are being furnished to Region II, 115th INTC, U. S. Army, Pasadena; U. S. Attorney and U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; Office of Special Investigations and Office of Naval Intelligence for information and completion of their files.

The records of the Los Angeles Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation contain no information identifiable with the members of the Riverside County Committee in Support of the Delano Grape Strikers.

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FBI

Date: 4/4/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-55900)

RE : COMINFIL
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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[redacted]

Enclosed herewith are 8 copies of LHM relating to above organization. Copies have been designated locally to the Army, Navy and Air Force.

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1 - Los Angeles (100-67449) (AM REG.)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
San Francisco, California
April 4, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

SF 100-55900

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, MARCH 18, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted] advised April 1, 1966 that 135 persons marched from Graceada Park, Modesto, to Cannery Workers Local 748, Modesto, where a rally was held on the evening of April 1, 1966 in the auditorium of that local. After attending church on the morning of April 2, 1966, the marchers continued en route San Joaquin County, California.

[redacted] advised that present in Graceada Park and at the rally was one TERRY CANNON who identified himself as a member of the Student Committee for Non-Violent Action, Berkeley, California, and who advised him that he was acting as publicity chairman for the march.

On April 4, 1966, [redacted] advised that the marchers departed Modesto, California, at about 9:00 a.m., April 2, 1966 and there were approximately 200 marchers when the group left Modesto, California. [redacted] advised that there were no difficulties encountered in connection with the marchers appearance in Modesto, California, after the matter relative to relocating the site of their rally had been resolved.

On April 2, 1966, [redacted] advised that the marchers arrived in Manteca this date at approximately 4:00 p.m. They spent the night at Manteca and no incidents occurred. They departed Manteca at 10:00 a.m. on April 3, 1966.

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RE: PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, MARCH 18, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966

[redacted] advised that on April 4, 1966 the marchers arrived at Stockton at 3:30 p.m., April 3, 1966. They proceeded to St. Linus' Catholic Church and St. Mary's Catholic Church. A rally was held at 5:30 p.m., on April 3, 1966 in Washington Park across the street from St. Mary's Church. The marchers are taking Monday off and will be guests at a picnic sponsored by the Filipino community of Stockton. They are scheduled to depart Stockton at 8:00 a.m., April 5, 1966 for Lodi, California, en route to Sacramento.

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FBI

Date: 4/7/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-55900)

RE : COMINFIL
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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[redacted]

ReSan Francisco airtel 4/5/66.

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LEAD:

THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE:

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION.

Will closely follow and report pertinent details of the protest march in a form suitable for dissemination.

3 - Bureau (ENCLS. 8) (AM REG.)
1 - Los Angeles (ENCLS. 1) (AM REG.)
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Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

San Francisco, California
April 7, 1966

SF 100-55900

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, MARCH 18, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to San Francisco memorandum dated April 5, 1966.

[redacted] furnished the following information on April 7, 1966:

The marchers left Stockton, California, at 9:00 a.m. on April 5, 1966 and arrived at Lodi, California, at 3:00 p.m. The marchers spent the night at Lodi, where they held a rally. They left Lodi at 9:30 a.m. on April 6, 1966 and arrived at Thornton, California, at 2:30 p.m., where they spent the night. At 10:00 a.m., April 7, 1966, the marchers left Thornton and were headed toward Hood, California, where they will stay overnight. They are scheduled to go from Hood to Freeport, California, for an overnight stay on April 8, 1966, then to West Sacramento on April 9, 1966 and then to arrive in Sacramento to see the Governor on Easter Sunday, April 10, 1966.

[redacted] advised that there have been no incidents.

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Date: 4/8/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (REGISTERED)
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449) (P)

RE: COMINFIL
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
Delano, California
IS - C

[redacted]

OO: Los Angeles

Re Los Angeles airtel and letterhead memorandum (LHM) captioned as above dated 4/5/66.

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Riverside County Sheriff's Office, Riverside, California Police Department and Palm Springs, California Police Department are fully cognizant of the plans of the proposed march.

LEAD

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION.

LOS ANGELES

AT RIVERSIDE AND PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA: Will maintain contact with local law enforcement agencies and will report any arrests or incidents that might occur as a result of this march in a form suitable for dissemination.

3 - Bureau (Encl. 8)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Los Angeles, California
April 8, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

PROTEST MARCH PROPOSED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA
MARCH 17, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to memorandum dated April 5, 1966.

On April 8, 1966, Gilbert Padilla, Vice-President of the National Farm Workers Union, advised the local Palm Springs newspaper that support of the striking Delano grape workers had a route for the protest march they will hold in Palm Springs, California, on Sunday afternoon. The march will be organized at Ruth Hardy Park and will return there for disbandment.

According to Padilla the new route and the choice of the park as an organization point was made necessary when Reverend Thomas J. Flahive, Pastor of the Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church refused use of church grounds. He said marchers will gather at Hardy Park at 2:00 p. m. Sunday, April 10, 1966, and the parade will begin thirty minutes later. The route will be west on Tamarisk to Palm Canyon then south to Arenas where marchers will turn north again and retrace their steps to the park.

[redacted] advised on April 8, 1966, that the marchers do not need a permit since they intend to march on the sidewalk which will not obstruct traffic.

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PROTEST MARCH PROPOSED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA
MARCH 17, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

According to the April 8, 1966, issue of the Press Enterprise Newspaper the protest march was first organized by the Riverside County Committee in support of the Delano grape strikers after it was announced by Governor Edmund G. Brown he would not meet Easter Sunday in Sacramento with paraders there.

Instead his aids announced he would spend the Easter week end with his family at Frank Sinatra's Tamarisk Country Club home in Palm Springs.

Since then Governor Brown has agreed to meet the strikers in Sacramento but the Palm Springs parade will be started nevertheless as a gesture of sympathy with the strikers in Delano.

Copies of this memorandum are being furnished to Region II, 115th INTC, U. S. Army, Pasadena; U. S. Attorney and U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; Office of Special Investigations and Office of Naval Intelligence for information and completion of their files.

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FBI

Date: 4/11/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)

[redacted]

RE: COMINFIL
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
IS - C

Re Los Angeles airtel and letterhead memorandum captioned as above dated 4/8/66.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California
April 11, 1966

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS
ASSOCIATION, DELANO TO
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA
March 17, 1966 to April 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to memorandum dated April 8, 1966.

On April 11, 1966, [redacted] advised that the parade was conducted in Palm Springs, California, by a group in sympathy with the Delano grape strikers. The parade was conducted in a peaceful and orderly manner and no incidents occurred.

The Daily Enterprise, a newspaper for Riverside County, in an article dated April 11, 1966, set forth in part that following an orderly parade of some 300 persons through downtown Palm Springs yesterday, leaders of the "Committee to Support the Delano Grape Strikers" pledged to keep their group alive to aid the farm workers in California. The march did not attract any large number of onlookers despite its wide publicity over the past week. Little girls in starched Easter dresses solemnly paraded carrying signs that read, "Away With Farm Slavery." The marchers did not meet with Governor Edmund Brown, who was spending the day in Palm Springs with his family at the Frank Sinatra residence, but they did not expect to.

Following the wind-blown parade over a mile or so along Palm Canyon Drive, the marchers returned to Hardy Park, the organizational point, whereleaders of the committee called upon participants to continue their efforts in behalf of the farm workers.

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PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA
MARCH 17, 1966 TO APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Schenley Industries, Inc.

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Mr. Rosen
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
Mr. Trotter
Tele. Room
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

[redacted]

April 11, 1966

[redacted]

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Last Wednesday night, April 6, the radio carried the announcement that Schenley Industries agreed to recognize the National Farm Workers Association, and that an agreement had been executed with Cesar Chavez, head of the union, and Sidney Korshak, "attorney for Schenley."

I know that inevitably questions will come up in the Bureau regarding the union and any participation that I might have had in this matter. For your personal information I had no knowledge of the agreement, nor of the negotiations. I was not consulted; I did not approve the agreement, nor was I informed of the developments. In fact I have never met Sidney Korshak who is well known to the Bureau.

Naturally, the "die" is now cast and there is no other alternative but to close the ranks and make the most of the situation.

APR 19 1966

With best wishes and kind regards.

Sincerely,

[redacted]

APR 20 1966 Let me have summary on Union & Korshak.

XEROX

APR 25 1966

CORRESPONDENCE

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April 15, 1966

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ERS. REC. UNIT

[redacted]

Schenley Industries, Inc.
1290 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10019

Dear Nick:

Thank you for your letter of April 11th concerning the agreement between Schenley Industries and the National Farm Workers Association. Your thoughtfulness in apprising me regarding this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

JEH

MAILED 4
APR 15 1966
COMM-FBI

1 - Mr. DeLoach (sent with cover memo)
1 - Mr. Wick (sent with cover memo)
1 - Mr. Rosen (sent with cover memo)
1 - Mr. Sullivan (sent with cover memo)
1 - Mr. Morrell (sent with cover memo)

NOTE: See Jones to Wick memorandum dated 4-14-66 captioned "National Farm Workers Association."

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Mr. Wick 4/14/66

M. A. Jones

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

SYNOPSIS

[redacted]

wrote the Director on 4/11/66 concerning the labor agreement executed by Cesar Chavez for the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) and Sidney Korshak, Attorney for Schenley Industries, Inc. The Director has requested a summary on NFWA and Korshak.

NFWA first came to our attention in October, 1965, when [redacted] contacted the Bureau to express concern over an announcement that the Office of Economic Opportunity had granted this union $267,887 to use in a self-help project regarding migrant workers in California. Our Los Angeles Office advised on 10/20/65 that NFWA was a local independent union which had become affiliated with the AFL-CIO since September, 1965. It was reportedly organized for the purpose of supporting migrant farmers and grape pickers in their strike in Delano, California.

Its alleged purpose was to improve the wages and living conditions of the migrant farm worker in this part of California and has its offices at 102 Albany Street, Delano, California.

We have conducted limited inquiries concerning NFWA and our information indicates it is not controlled or guided by the communists but that several alleged members have extremely liberal views and that CP members or sympathizers have furnished support to NFWA in its conflict with the grape growers.

Enclosure

1 - Mr. DeLoach - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Wick - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Cale - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Rosen - Enclosure
1 - Mr. Sullivan - Enclosure

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M. A. Jones to Wick Memo
RE: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

Cesar E. Chavez, founder and director of NFWA, was formerly a recruiter for the Community Service Organization (CSO), at San Jose, California. CSO is a war on poverty type organization. He has openly been called a communist but our sources do not have any definite information in this regard even though he reportedly associates with left-wing type individuals and has been known to distribute copies of People's World, a west coast communist newspaper.

Information concerning the NFWA activities of Wendy Goepel, Harvey Richards, David Ward Ravens and Dolores Clara Huerta, is set out in Details, [redacted]

[redacted]

RECOMMENDATION:

That attached letter be sent to [redacted]

DETAILS CONTINUED OVER

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M. A. Jones to Sick Memo
RE: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

DETAILS

BACKGROUND:

By letter of 4-11-66, [redacted] referred to radio announcements indicating that Schenley Industries, Inc., agreed to recognize the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) and that this agreement had been executed with Cesar Chavez, representing NFWA, and Sidney Korshak, attorney for Schenley. The Director has requested a summary on NFWA and Korshak.

INFORMATION IN BUFILES:

Our files reveal that the NFWA first came to our attention in October, 1965, when [redacted] contacted the Bureau to advise that [redacted] was concerned over an announcement that the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) had granted this union $267,857 to use in a self-help project to teach migrant workers in Kern, Kings and Tulare counties of California citizenship and money management. Since our files contained no record identifiable with this union, we requested our Los Angeles Office to furnish information available to them regarding NFWA.

Our Los Angeles Office advised on 10-20-65 that NFWA was a local independent union which reportedly had only become affiliated with AFL-CIO since September, 1965. Allegedly this affiliation was only for the purpose of supporting the migrant farmers and grape pickers strike in Delano, California. It was further reported that the NFWA was led by a Cesar E. Chavez and the purpose of this union was supposedly to improve the wages and living conditions of the migrant farm worker in this part of California. This union claims it is an independent organization with offices at 102 Albany Street, Delano, California.

We have conducted limited inquiries concerning NFWA for the purpose of determining whether it has been infiltrated or controlled by the communists. Our information indicates that it is not controlled or guided by the communists but that several individuals that are allegedly members of this

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organization have extremely liberal views. It has also been determined that various known Communist Party (CP) members or sympathizers have furnished support to the NFWA in connection with its conflict with the grape growers in this part of California.

Cesar E. Chavez: - Summary

Cesar E. Chavez has been described as the founder and Director of the NFWA. He reportedly was born on 1-31-27, possibly at Delano, California. He resided at 1221 Kensington Street, Delano, California, and has spent about 14 years in the San Jose, California, area prior to 1963 as a recruiter for the Community Service Organization (CSO) at San Jose. CSO is a "war on poverty" type organization. Chavez refuses to answer any questionnaires directed at him by Credit Bureaus or similar organizations. He has openly been called a communist at Delano City Council meetings; however, our sources do not possess any definite information in this regard even though Chavez reportedly associates with "left-wing" type individuals and allegedly has been known to distribute copies of "People's World," a west coast communist newspaper, free of charge.

Chavez publishes and sells a paper called "El Malcriado" which is described as the voice of the farm worker and the official voice of the NFWA. Chavez has reportedly stated that he desires to open general stores in the San Joaquin Valley to sell "commodities to farm workers at discount prices" and to therefore create a boycott of local businesses. He allegedly has also started a credit union for the farm workers who are members of the NFWA. One of our sources has stated the opinion that Chavez is not altogether sincere in his desire to assist migrant workers but rather is interested in making a name for himself and to gain financially. It was also reported that the $267,887 grant approved by OEO for NFWA has aroused considerable public opinion against it.

In addition to Chavez, we have learned that Wendy Goepel, Harvey Richards, David Havens and Dolores Huerta are involved in NFWA activities.

Wendy Goepel: Summary

Wendy Goepel is apparently identical with Wendy Pangburn Goepel [redacted] who reportedly was considering attending the Eighth World Youth Festival in Helsinki, Finland, in 1962 along with other Stanford University students. There is no indication that she did attend. CALIF

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Harvey Richards:

Harvey Richards' association with NFWA activities was reported to be limited to taking various photographs in connection with NFWA's labor dispute with the grape pickers. [redacted]

David Ward Havens:

David Ward Havens, a white male, born 12-17-35 and who resided at Visalia, California, in October, 1965, listed his employment as being with the National Council of Churches and an active member of the California Migrant Farm Ministry, a subsidiary of the National Council of Churches. During May, 1965, Havens participated in a farm workers' strike in Delano along with Chavez. In addition to being an advisor of the NFWA, he also participated in their picketing activities.

Dolores Clara Huerta:

Dolores Clara Huerta, also known as Dolores Clara Ford, a Mexican female, was born on 4-10-30 and resides at Delano, California. She is the Vice-President of NFWA and has no other employment listed. She has been active in the Delano area for several years and is reported as the driving force on the picket lines of NFWA. Huerta was the individual who traveled to Washington, D. C., on behalf of Chavez and NFWA for the purpose of obtaining the grant from OEO.

Information coming to our attention from various confidential sources of our Los Angeles Office indicates that various CP members or sympathizers such as [redacted] have expressed sympathy and support of the activities of the NFWA in this labor dispute. It has also been learned that this "sympathy" was being reflected in the form of monetary contributions as well as food and clothing collections for members of the NFWA participating as pickets.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-55900)

RE : COMINFIL, NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA IS - C

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ReSan Francisco airtel to the Bureau dated 4/1/66 [redacted]

Submitted herewith for the Bureau are 8 copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination. One copy is furnished to the Los Angeles Office and one copy is disseminated locally to the Army, Navy and Air Force in San Francisco.

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1 - Los Angeles (ENCL. 1) (AM REG.) (INFO)
2 - San Francisco

ENCLOSURE

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AGENT ARG Yeagley, G-2
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HOW FORM. a/s
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CC TO: [illegible]
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BY: [illegible]

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C. C. Wick

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
San Francisco, California
April 13, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

SF 100-55900

PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS
ASSOCIATION, DELANO TO
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
MARCH 18, 1966 - APRIL 10, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted] advised April 9, 1966 that the marchers arrived in West Sacramento, California, on April 9, 1966 ending a 25 day, 300 mile march from Delano, California, demonstrating a demand for recognitic of their union. 1500 strikers and sympathizers took part in an evening rally, April 9, 1966, held at Our Lady of Grace School, West Sacramento, across the river from their final destination, the State Capitol grounds, Sacramento. [redacted] advised that the rally was peaceful and no incidents occurred. Officers from the California Highway Patrol, Yolo County Sheriff's Office (West Sacramento) and the Sacramento Police Department were present during the rally and officers from the Highway Patrol remained nearby all night.

[redacted] advised that at 1:30 p.m., April 10, 1966, approximately 1000 marchers and supporters marched to the Capitol Grounds, Sacramento, from West Sacramento, a distance of one mile. Approximately 6000 persons greeted the marchers upon their arrival a the Capitol Grounds. The marchers demanded the appearance of Govern EDMUND BROWN, who was not available in Sacramento and had advised th prior to April 10, 1966 that he would grant them an audience on April 9, 1966 or April 11, 1966 but would not be available on Easter Sunday It was announced to the crowd that Governor BROWN was being picketed at the home of actor-singer, FRANK SINATRA in Palm Springs, Californi

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RE: PROTEST MARCH SPONSORED BY NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, DELANO TO SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, 3/18/66 - 4/10/56 - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reverend WAYNE C. HARTMIRE of the migrant missions of Northern California, California State Assemblyman PHIL SOTO, and CESAR CHAVEZ, Executive Director, National Farm Workers Association, delivered the principal addresses from the steps of the State Capitol building.

[redacted] advised that the gathering on the Capitol grounds was peaceful in nature and no incidents of a violent nature occurred. The meeting ended at approximately 4:00 p.m. The Sacramento Police Department and California State Police were present during the entire meeting.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)(P)

RE COMINFIL
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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Transmitted herewith for the Bureau are an original and seven copies of LHM. One copy of LHM is also being designated locally to Region II, 115th INTC, U.S. Army, Pasadena; U.S. Attorney, Los Angeles; U.S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; Office of Naval Intelligence; and Office of Special Investigations.

Source utilized in enclosed LHM was [redacted] who received the information confidentially.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California
April 25, 1966

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF
THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS
ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On April 22, 1966, a source advised he had received information to the effect that officials and associates of the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) in the future were planning ways to discredit law enforcement agencies in localities effected by the farm labor strike. In the past NFWA has prepared publicity in advance of marches and large picket lines, with a view toward being arrested for offenses such as not having a parade permit or trespassing on private property. This source expects that NFWA will very shortly attempt to file civil rights complaints with the U.S. Department of Justice and state authorities. Source predicted that violations of law would be planned by NFWA, and carried through, with a view toward causing situations with law enforcement agencies which could be twisted into civil rights matter at a later date.

An article appearing in the April 22, 1966 issue of the "Los Angeles Times", a daily newspaper published in Los Angeles, California, revealed that on the previous Wednesday, NFWA Director Cesar Chavez and his aides met secretly with Vice President of the Di Giorgio Corporation Bruce W. Sanborn, Jr. in Fresno in an effort to work out differences over a company proposal to have an election to determine if the farm workers wanted to be represented by the union. This article went on to state as follows:

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SUBJECT: Cesar Chavez & United Farm Workers et al.

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FBI CHICAGO

618 PM CDST URGENT 5/24/66 JLV

TO DIRECTOR

FRO CHICAGO (100-42662)

[redacted]

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA), SYMPATHY DEMONSTRATION AT S & W FOOD COMPANY, THREE THREE FIVE ZERO NORTH KEDZIE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, MAY TWENTY FOUR, INSTANT, IN SUPPORT OF STRIKING DELANO CALIFORNIA MIGRANT GRAPE PICKERS; INFORMATION CONCERNING.

[redacted]

RE CHICAGO TELETYPE, MAY TWENTY FOUR, INSTANT.

[redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED FOUR FIFTEEN P.M. THIS DATE THAT PICKETING AT S & W WAREHOUSE DWINDLED TO SIX INDIVIDUALS AT EIGHT A.M. AND PICKETS DISCONTINUED NINE A.M. AND DID NOT RETURN ALTHOUGH PICKETING SCHEDULED TO LAST UNTIL FOUR P.M. THIS DATE. PICKETS WERE PEACEFUL AND ORDERLY. NO INCIDENTS OR ARRESTS MADE. SECRET SERVICE, USA, AND MILITARY ADVISED. LHM FOLLOWS.

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TO DIRECTOR
FROM CHICAGO (100-42662) 1P

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA), SYMPATHY DEMONSTRATION AT S & W FOOD COMPANY, THREE THREE FIVE ZERO NORTH KEDZIE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, MAY TWENTY THREE, LAST, IN SUPPORT OF STRIKING DELANO CALIFORNIA MIGRANT GRAPE PICKERS; INFORMATION CONCERNING

RE CHICAGO TELETYPES MAY TWENTY THREE, LAST.

[redacted] AT EIGHT THIRTY AM TODAY ADVISED THAT PICKETING RESUMED AT S & W WAREHOUSE AT SEVEN AM TODAY WITH ONLY TWELVE PICKETS. PICKETING SCHEDULED TO CONTINUE UNTIL FOUR PM, THIS DATE, WHEN WAREHOUSE CLOSES FOR EVENING. SECRET SERVICE, USA, AND MILITARY ADVISED. LHM FOLLOWS.

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FBI CHICAGO

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO (100-42662)

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, SYMPATHY DEMONSTRATION AT S & W FOOD COMPANY, THREE THREE FIVE ZERO NORTH KEDZIE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, MAY TWENTYTHREE SIXTYSIX, IN SUPPORT OF STRIKING DELANO, CALIFORNIA MIGRANT GRAPE PICKERS; INFORMATION CONCERNING.

[redacted] ADVISED THIS DATE APPROXIMATELY SIXTY PICKETS DEMONSTRATING AT CAPTIONED LOCATION TODAY. DEMONSTRATION STAGED TO SHOW SUPPORT FOR STRIKING CALIFORNIA MIGRANT GRAPE PICKERS, DELANO, CALIFORNIA. PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION IN PROGRESS.

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1031 PM CDST URGENT 5/23/66 JLV

TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO (100-42662)

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA), SYMPATHY DEMONSTRATION AT S & W FOOD COMPANY, THREE THREE FIVE ZERO NORTH KEDZIE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, MAY TWENTY THREE, INSTANT, IN SUPPORT OF STRIKING DELANO CALIFORNIA MIGRANT GRAPE PICKERS; INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE CHICAGO TELETYPE, MAY TWENTY THREE, INSTANT.

RELIABLE SOURCES ADVISED TODAY THAT REPRESENTATIVE OF NFWA COORDINATED CHICAGO PHASE NATIONWIDE BOYCOTT AGAINST DI GORGIO CORPORATION PRODUCTS AT S & W FOODS WAREHOUSE, CHICAGO, TODAY FROM SEVEN A.M. UNTIL FOUR P.M. PURPOSE OF BOYCOTT TO CLOSE DOWN CHICAGO MIDWEST, CALIFORNIA AND NEW ENGLAND DISTRIBUTION CENTERS OF DI GORGIO PRODUCTS. AT PEAK OF CHICAGO DEMONSTRATION AN ESTIMATED SIXTY PICKETS WERE PRESENT, MADE UP OF PERSONS FROM STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY, COMMITTEE ON RACIAL EQUALITY, AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE, STRIKING CHICAGO PUBLIC AID WORKERS AND VARIOUS RELIGIOUS GROUPS

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AND REPRESENTATIVES. MOST OF PICKETS LEFT BEFORE NINE A.M. AND SKELTON FORCE OF FOUR TO SIX PICKETS REMAINED UNTIL WAREHOUSE CLOSED AT FOUR P.M., AT WHICH TIME REMAINING PICKETS DISPERSED.

DEMONSTRATION SUCCEEDED IN OBTAINING SOME INDIVIDUAL SUPPORT OF MEMBERS OF TEAMSTERS UNION WHO REFUSED TO CROSS PICKET LINE. PICKET LINE WILL BE RESUMED TOMORROW AT SEVEN A.M., HOWEVER, IT IS EXPECTED BY NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE THAT FEWER PICKETS WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN COMPARISON WITH NUMBER PICKETING TODAY. DEMONSTRATION PEACEFUL. NO ARRESTS MADE.

SECRET SERVICE, UNITED STATES ATTORNEY, MILITARY, AND LOCAL POLICE ADVISED. LHM FOLLOWS.

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

Date Forw. JUN 1 1966

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION SYMPATHY DEMONSTRATION AT S & W FOOD COMPANY, 3350 NORTH KEDZIE AVENUE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, MAY 23, 1966, IN SUPPORT OF STRIKING DELANO, CALIFORNIA, MIGRANT GRAPE PICKERS INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

ENCLOSURE

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1 - 100-440885 (Congress of Racial Equality)
1 - 100-439048 (Students for a Democratic Society)
1 - 100-11392 (American Friends Service Committee)
1 - 100-13124 (Teamsters Union)
1 - 100-35658 (United Packing House Food and Allied Workers of America)

4 - Boston (Encl. 4) (RM) (Info.)
1 - NFWA
1 - 100-35472 (SDS)
1 - Teamsters Union
1 - United Packing House Food and Allied Workers of America

5 - Los Angeles (Encl. 5) (RM) (Info.)
1 - NFWA
1 - Cesar Chaves
1 - 100-66519 (SDS)
1 - Teamsters Union
1 - United Packing House Food and Allied Workers of America

5 - New York (Encl. 5) (RM) (Info.)
1 - NFWA
1 - CORE
1 - 100-148047) (SDS)
1 - Teamsters Union
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1 - 100-52152 (SDS)
1 - Teamsters Union
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11 - Chicago
1 - [redacted]
1 - 100-40903 (SDS)
1 - [redacted]
1 - 100-11329 (CORE)
1 - 100-30509 (AFSC)
1 - [redacted]
1 - [redacted]
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1 - 100-8009 (UPFAWA)

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CG 100-42662

Re Chicago tels dated 5/23/66 and 5/24/66, to the Bureau, no copies to Boston, Los Angeles, New York or San Francisco.

There are enclosed herewith for the Bureau 15 copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) and appropriate copies for listed offices, dated and captioned as above.

In addition to the above copies of this LHM, copies are being designated for Secret Service, 113th INTC Group, NISO 9ND, OSI, all Chicago, Illinois, for information purposes.

The source used in the LHM is former [redacted]

[redacted]

The Chicago Office has insufficient information on which to identify JIM ARNOLD and HARRY JOHNSON mentioned in the attached LHM.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Chicago, Illinois
May 26, 1966

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION SYMPATHY DEMONSTRATION AT S & W FOOD COMPANY, 3350 NORTH KEDZIE AVENUE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, MAY 23, 1966, IN SUPPORT OF STRIKING DELANO, CALIFORNIA, MIGRANT GRAPE PICKERS INFORMATION CONCERNING

On May 23, 1966, [redacted], stated on May 20, 1966, one Jim Arnold, who identified himself as a University of Chicago student as well as a full-time volunteer of the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) and a member of the Hyde Park Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), Chicago, was attempting to pass out the following leaflet on the Chicago Circle Campus:

XEROX
JUN 3 1966

ENCLOSURE

CALL TO ACTION!

Since September 8, 1965, 3500 farm worker families in Delano, California, have been on strike to get for themselves those things other workers are legally guaranteed: the right to organize into a union and to bargain collectively, the right to a living wage, the right to humane working conditions and the right to dignity on the job.

The DiGiorgio Corporation, which last year grossed $231,800,000, which owns 4600 acres in the strike zone (and more than 26,000 acres all together), which has four directors on the board of the huge Bank of America, and whose wide-ranging corporate interests make it truly an economic octopus, is being challenged by its field workers, whose only power is their unity of purpose and strength of determination, and whose only weapon is their non-violent strike.

THEY NEED YOUR HELP!

A nation-wide boycott is being conducted against DiGiorgio products. S & W Foods warehouses are being closed down in California and New England by large groups of pickets with the support of Teamsters' unions.

The midwest distribution center for DiGiorgio products is here in Chicago. It is crucial that it be closed down temporarily to show DiGiorgio the strength of support for the strike. The Teamsters have indicated willingness to respect picket lines at the warehouse. Whether they do or not may be contingent upon the force of our picket line.

The warehouse is located at 3350 N. Kedzie, one block north of Belmont and the JFK Expressway. On Monday, May 23, 1966, at 7:00 AM, people from all parts of the city will meet at the S & W warehouse for a mass demonstration-picket. The most effective aid you can give the strikers is to be there.

Boycott and consumer picketing will continue until the strike is WON. To help, contact the strike coordinator on your campus, call Harry Johnson at 939-2794, or write NFWA, 1300 Wabash, Chicago, Illinois.

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RE: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
SYMPATHY DEMONSTRATION AT S & W FOOD
COMPANY, 3350 NORTH KEDZIE AVENUE,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, MAY 23, 1966,
IN SUPPORT OF STRIKING DELANO,
CALIFORNIA, MIGRANT GRAPE PICKERS

Arnold was told by the Illinois Circle Campus Police that he could not pass out the above leaflet unless he obtained the sponsorship of the Illinois Circle Campus chapter of the SDS. Arnold secured this authority and was then permitted to distribute the leaflet with the stamp of the "SDS, UICC Chapter" thereon.

On May 23, 1966, it was ascertained [redacted] that telephone number 939-2794 is listed to the Catholic Bishop of Chicago Resettlement and/or Cardinal's Committee for Spanish Speaking People, 1300 North Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. An unidentified person answering the telephone revealed that Harry Johnson who is affiliated with the NFWA had been given space, and use of the aforementioned telephone, at the address because of the interest various members of the Catholic clergy have taken in the plight of Spanish speaking persons here in the United States. The aforementioned unidentified person answering the telephone stated that at that time Johnson was out conducting the picketing of the S & W Food Company Warehouse.

Also on May 23, 1966, it was ascertained [redacted] that Paul Booth, self identified as National Secretary of the SDS, and the SDS itself had an interest in the picketing of the S & W Food Company Warehouse. According to Booth, the SDS had persons out picketing the S & W Food Company Warehouse that date and that Lee Webb, a SDS member associated with the United Packing House Food and Allied Workers of America in Chicago, was the person handling the SDS interest in this matter.

[redacted]

[redacted]

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RE: NATIONAL FARMER WORKERS ASSOCIATION
SYMPATHY DEMONSTRATION AT S & W FOOD
COMPANY 3350 NORTH KEDZIE AVENUE,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, MAY 23, 1966,
IN SUPPORT OF STRIKING DELANO,
CALIFORNIA, MIGRANT GRAPE PICKERS

[redacted]

[redacted] on May 23, 1966, advised that the boycott against DiGiorgio Corporation products at the S & W Food Company Warehouse, Chicago, began at 7:00 AM on May 23, 1966, and ended at 4:00 PM, that date when the warehouse closed for the evening. The peak of the demonstration was shortly before 9:00 AM when an estimated 60 pickets were participating. Most of the pickets left before 9:00 AM and a skeleton force ranging from four to six pickets remained until the warehouse closed for the evening, at which time the remaining pickets disbursed. The picketing was peaceful, there were no incidents and no arrests.

[redacted] on May 23, 1966, it was learned through Harry Johnson representing the NFWA that he had conducted the Chicago phase of the national boycott against the DiGiorgio Corporation, and Schenley Products at the S & W Food Company Warehouse, 3350 North Kedzie Avenue, Chicago, that date from 7:00 AM until 4:00 PM. The purpose of this boycott was to close down the Chicago Midwest, California and New England distribution centers of DiGiorgio products. At the peak of the demonstration some 60

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pickets were present, made up of persons from the SDS, Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), American Friends Service Committee (Quakers), striking Chicago welfare employees and some Catholic and Protestent groups and/or representatives. A good number of the pickets were students who left before 9:00 AM and a token force of four to six pickets remained at the scene until the warehouse closed in the evening. Johnson stated that Lee Webb of the SDS was active in co-ordinating the actions of the SDS pickets during the demonstration.

Continuing it was learned from Johnson that there was no outright support of the picketing by the Teamsters Union itself but that the picketers received some individual support from a number of the teamster workers who refused to cross the picket line. It was also learned through Johnson that Cesar Chavez, active in organizing the grape workers in California, had been in Chicago that date confering in reference to the strike with various people in the Chicago area. He left at 1:45 PM and returned to California. Johnson said that in the past the NFWA had received the support of some Teamster Union locals in carrying out their strike against the DiGiorgio Corporation products. They had been most successful with the Teamster Union on the West Coast. Johnson remarked that the NFWA with the aid of CORE and other civil rights groups had been quite successful in getting DiGiorgio and Schenley products removed from shelves located in stores in Harlem and Brooklyn, New York. According to Johnson the picket line would resume at 7:00 AM on May 24, 1966, however, it was not expected that more than ten or 12 pickets would participate on that date.

[redacted] on May 24 and 25, 1966, advised that picketing resumed at S & W Food Company Warehouse at 7:00 AM May 24, 1966,

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RE: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
SYMPATHY DEMONSTRATION AT S & W FOOD
COMPANY, 3350 NORTH KEDZIE AVENUE,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, MAY 23, 1966,
IN SUPPORT OF STRIKING DELANO,
CALIFORNIA, MIGRANT GRAPE PICKERS

with only 12 pickets present. Although picketing was scheduled to continue until 4:00 PM that date, when the warehouse closed for the evening, the pickets discontinued at approximately 9:00 AM and did not return. The picketing was peaceful and orderly. There were no incidents or arrests.

On May 25, 1966, [redacted] it was learned from Harry Johnson that the picketing of S & W Company Warehouse, Chicago, terminated on May 25, 1966, at 9:00 AM because members of the Teamsters Union indicated they would no longer honor the NFWA picket line. Johnson indicated that during the picketing he had received assistance from Jim Arnold, a full-time volunteer worker with the NFWA. Johnson also indicated that the efforts of the NFWA in the Chicago area since it had not received full support from the Teamsters Union would now be directed to picketing and attempting to influence retail stores to take DiGiorgio and Schenley products off of their shelves.

The above information was furnished to the following:

[redacted] of Secret Service, Chicago

[redacted] of 113th INTC Group
Edward V. Hanrahan and others of the United States Attorney's Office, Chicago.

A documentation of the W. E. B. Du Bois Clubs of America (and the W. E. B. Du Bois Clubs of Chicago) is attached.

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APPENDIX

W.E.B. DU BOIS CLUBS OF AMERICA (DCA)

A source has advised that on October 26-27, 1963, a conference of members of the Communist Party (CP), including national functionaries, met in Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of setting in motion forces for the establishment of a new national Marxist-oriented youth organization which would hunt for the most peaceful transition to socialism. The delegates to this meeting were cautioned against the germ of anti-Soviet and anti-CP ideologies. These delegates were also told that it would be reasonable to assume that the young socialists attracted into this new organization would eventually pass into the CP itself.

A second conference of over 20 persons met in Chicago on December 28-29, 1963, for the purpose of initiating a "call" to the new youth organization and planning for a founding convention to be held in June, 1964.

A second source has advised that the founding convention for the new youth organization was held from June 19-21, 1964, at 150 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California, at which time the name W.E.B. DuBois Clubs of America (DCA) was adopted. Approximately 500 delegates from throughout the United States attended this convention. The aims of this organization, as set forth in the preamble to the constitution, are, "It is our belief that this nation can best solve its problems in an atmosphere of peaceful coexistence, complete disarmament and true freedom for all peoples of the world, and that these solutions will be reached mainly through the united efforts of all democratic elements in our country, composed essentially of the working people allied in the unity of Negroes and other minorities with whites. We further fully recognize that the greatest threat to American democracy comes from the racist and right wing forces in coalition with the most reactionary sections of the economic power structure, using the tool of anti-Communism to divide and destroy the unified struggle of the working people. As young people in the forces struggling for democracy, we shall actively strive to defeat these reactionary and neo-fascist elements and to achieve complete freedom and democracy for all Americans, thus enabling each individual to freely choose and build the society he would wish to live in. Through these struggles we feel the American people will realize the viability of the socialist alternative."

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The constitution further states that this new organization shall be a membership organization open to individuals, or if five or more people so desire, a chapter can be formed which shall in turn be guided by the policies and principles of the parent organization.

As of October, 1965, the headquarters of the DCA was located at 954 McAllister Street, San Francisco, California.

Over the Labor Day weekend, 1965, the DCA held a conference in Chicago, Illinois. According to a third source, a new slate of national officers was elected at this conference, which included Chairman HUGH STERLING FOWLER, II (who, according to the third source, attended a CP cadre encampment held at Camp Midvale, New Jersey, in June, 1965, and following his election as Chairman of the DCA, attended another national CP cadre youth conference held on September 9-12, 1965, on a farm located in Northern Indiana, according to a fourth source); Director of Publicity CARL ELLENGER BLOICE (who was elected to the San Francisco County Committee CP in April, 1964, according to a fifth source); Educational Director MATTHEW "DYNAMITE" HALLINAN (who in June, 1964, was stated to be the Youth Representative on the Northern California CP District Board, according to a sixth source); Organizational Secretary TERENCE "KAYO" HALLINAN (who, according to a seventh source, met in June, 1965, with the District Staff of the Illinois CP to discuss the proposed DCA Midwest Summer Project), and Treasurer SUSAN PHYLLIS BORENSTEIN (who, according to an eighth source, has attended meetings of the Youth Club of the CP of Illinois during 1965 in connection with the DCA Summer Project).

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W.E.B. DU BOIS CLUBS OF CHICAGO (DCC)

On May 3, 1965, a source advised that on June 30, 1964, a group of young people who attended the founding convention of the W.E.B. DuBois Clubs of America (DCA), met in Chicago and adopted a statement of purpose and constitution forming the DCC as an affiliate of the national DCA.

This source further advised that at a meeting of the Chicago Area of the Midwest Region of the DCA held April 3, 1965, the boundary of the Chicago Area was established to include all of Illinois north of Springfield, Illinois, and all of Indiana. At this meeting, TED PEARSON, Chairman of the Youth Club of the Communist Party of Illinois, was elected Area Coordinator.

A second source advised on November 26, 1965, that as of November, 1965, TED PEARSON continues to be the Chicago Area Coordinator of the DCA and the official headquarters is located at the PEARSON apartment, 1808 North Cleveland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

The second source advised that there is currently only one club operating in the Chicago Area and that is on the west side. This club operates a Freedom Center at 2829 West Lake Street, which is open seven days a week to the teenagers on the west side.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/15/66

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449) (P)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION DELANO, CALIFORNIA IS-C

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

The Los Angeles indices contain no pertinent data concerning GENE BOUTELIER, a Fresno, California, minister [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Los Angeles, California
June 15, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION - DELANO, CALIFORNIA

On May 12, 1966, [redacted] advised that the latest issue of "Scope," a publication of the United States National Student Association (USNSA), 2115 "S" Street, Northwest Washington, D. C., contained an article revealing that USNSA planned to send a group of 200-300 students to Delano during the summer of 1966. This group is to be headed by Gene Boutelier, a Fresno, California, minister, and students in the group will be from colleges all over the United States.

According to the above article the purpose of the project would be to teach the students farm laborer organizing, demonstrating and boycott techniques, so that they would be able to return to their respective areas to apply their knowledge to assist in the cause of the farm workers and civil rights matters.

On June 6, 1966, [redacted] advised as follows:

Ceasar Chavez, President of the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) has been sending letters and pamphlets to universities all over the United States in an attempt to recruit students and professors to come to Delano during the summer of 1966 to assist in organizing the farm workers. Chavez has mentioned that he would like to have 2000 students come to the San Joaquin Valley this summer to serve the NFWA cause. [redacted] believes that possibly several hundred students may affiliate themselves with NFWA this summer, but certainly not as many as one or two thousand.

During the past two months, NFWA has directed most of its picket action toward the DiGiorgio Corporation farms in Tulare County, California. There has been little activity in Delano. [redacted] believes further that NFWA will continue to inject civil rights into their activities, which will

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include accusations of police brutality and civil rights violations against law enforcement agencies. He is of the opinion that the civil rights aspect of the situation may be a substitute for Chavez's failure in organizing farm workers.

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-New)

RE: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Reference is made to San Antonio LHMs dated 6/7 and 22/66, captioned UNKNOWN SUBJECT; Threat to Bomb Starr County Courthouse, Rio Grande City, Texas.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of LHM dated and captioned as above, suitable for dissemination. Local dissemination has been made to USA, San Antonio; AUSA, Brownsville, Texas; Secret Service, San Antonio and Austin; Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin; Austin Police Department; Travis County Sheriff's Office, Austin; 112th INTC; OSI, 10th District; and ONI.

Enclosed for Houston and Los Angeles are two copies each of above-mentioned LHM. One information copy of LHM and airtel furnished El Paso inasmuch as HUERTA reportedly resided or worked temporarily in that area.

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As set forth in referenced LHMs, EUGENE NELSON has been organizing farm workers in Rio Grande City, Texas, for the past several weeks.

NELSON resided in Houston, Texas, for a short time and, prior to that, was reportedly instrumental in the organizing of the grape-pickers in Delano, California. [redacted] now resides in Rio Grande City.

During the first few days of NELSON's organizing activities in Rio Grande City, CHARLES McKINLEY SMITH was reportedly assisting him; however, SMITH has not been identified as being in that area in recent weeks. [redacted]

DOLORES HUERTA, also active in organizing the grape-pickers in Delano, California, has been assisting NELSON in the Rio Grande City area; however, it is not known if she is still in that area.

The 6/28/66, edition of the San Antonio News, a daily newspaper published in San Antonio, contained an article reflecting that two top leaders of striking Rio Grande Valley farm hands disclosed on 6/27/66, they are at odds over affiliation with a California-based union. EUGENE NELSON, president, and MARGIL SANCHEZ, vice president, acknowledged that a major basis for their dissent is a pamphlet the founder of the John Birch Society is credited with editing.

The article further reflected that SANCHEZ would oppose affiliation of Independent Workers Association (IWA) with the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) "until those guys in California clear their names of this communism." It should be noted he was apparently referring to the NFWA.

This article also reflected that NELSON told a reporter, "I'm not a communist and don't know of any communists here.... if there are communists in the Rio Grande Valley it is because there are conditions here that are conducive to their activity.

"I don't like communists any more than the Birchers do. That's why I'm here -- to set conditions right before the communists get here."

For the information of the Bureau and recipient offices, the Catholic Church has become involved in this situation. The Valley Evening Monitor, a McAllen, Texas, daily newspaper, issue of 6/20/66, contained an article which reflected that Msgr. DAN LANNING, of Mission (Texas), and Archbishop ROBERT LUCEY, of the San Antonio Archdiocese, were at odds on 6/20/66, over the Catholic Church's position in the Starr County strike for higher wages for farm hands.

Msgr. LANNING, in a sermon at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Mission, Sunday morning, charged clergymen from San Antonio who have taken part in the strike are "imposters and intruders" and that they "do not speak for the church."

The article also stated that Father CHARLES GRAHMANN, secretary to Archbishop LUCEY, said on behalf of the Bishop on 6/20/66, that "Monsignor LANNING is of the old school that believes priests should sit in their rectory and watch the world go by and not get involved in the social evils of the world."

Father GRAHMANN agreed that the two priests who participated in a so-called "civil rights" march in Rio Grande City do not officially represent the Church, although he said they went to Rio Grande City with the "permission" of Archbishop LUCEY.

Both the Political Association of Spanish-Speaking Organizations (PASO) and the Teamsters Union have expressed interest in helping the strikers. It should be noted that PASO is an organization formed in about 1960 which has chapters throughout the State of Texas. Its primary purpose is political education of individuals of Latin American descent and is not tied to either the Republican or Democratic Party.

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The Los Angeles Divison made available a copy of a leaflet distributed by the DuBois Clubs at Los Angeles which was an appeal to raise money, food, and clothes for the strikers.

Although CHARLES McKINLEY SMITH (supra) has reportedly helped NELSON in this matter, based on data available to the San Antonio Division, it is believed a COMINFIL investigation should not be instituted by San Antonio at this time. [redacted] NELSON has publically disclaimed connection with the CP and has said he is not a communist.

The Los Angeles Division should furnish any available information to San Antonio reflecting subversive activity on the part of EUGENE NELSON or DOLORES HUERTA or any information reflecting communist influence in the IWA or NFWA.

Houston should furnish San Antonio any information available reflecting communist influence or infiltration in this matter by any persons from the Houston Division area inasmuch as NELSON headquartered in Houston prior to moving to the San Antonio Division area.

Unless further information is received reflecting communist infiltration in this strike, San Antonio is conducting no COMINFIL investigation.

The Bureau will be kept advised of any further developments concerning the proposed march.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

San Antonio, Texas

June 28, 1966

PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

The June 28, 1966, edition of The Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas, contained an article captioned, "Melon Pickers Talk of March on Austin." This article was datelined Rio Grande City. This article reads as follows:

Union support for Eugene Nelson's National Farm Workers Association Local No. 2 of Starr County grew Monday after receiving backing at a meat cutters convention in Harlingen Sunday. Plans for a Farm Workers march from Rio Grande City to Austin were also in the talking stage.

Nelson said that Roy Evans of Austin, Secretary-Treasurer of the Texas AFL-CIO, had agreed to provide $250 needed as a deposit for a telephone at NFWA Headquarters in Rio Grande City.

Evans was one of several labor chiefs from around the nation who met with Valley Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butchers Workers Union of North America when it pledged support for the Starr County farm picketers. At the meeting in Harlingen, the union voted to donate $300 to the NFWA local. Announcement of the additional $250 came Monday.

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PROPOSED MARCH BY NFWA

Another development hatched over the week end and announced Monday by Nelson was the proposed Rio Grande City-to-Austin march. The march is similar in concept to one which called attention to the California grape pickers strike early this year, Nelson said.

"The march would pass by President Johnson's ranch and be timed to end in Austin on Labor Day," Nelson said.

Although plans for the march are not definite, the strike leader figures it would take about a month to cover the distance to Austin. The one in California covered 325 miles and took 25 days.

Support for the idea of such a march came last week from the Rev. Sherrill Smith and the Rev. K. William Killian of the San Antonio Diocese, and the Rev. Jack Gist and the Rev. Paul Like of the Amarillo Diocese, Nelson said.

Evans added his support and suggested that the march should terminate in Austin on Labor Day.

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TO DIRECTOR

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PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY [redacted] MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, JULY FOUR, ONE NINE SIX SIX, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONERNING.

RE SAN ANTONIO AIRTEL DIRECTOR JUNE TWO NINE LAST AND [redacted] DIRECTOR AIRTEL JULY ONE LAST.

APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED MARCHERS COMPLETED THE FIRST LEG OF MARCH TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, ON JULY FOUR INSTANT BY MARCHING FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SULLIVAN CITY, TEXAS. MARCH TO RESUME TUESDAY, JULY FIVE, NEXT, AND CONTINUE TO FRIDAY WHEN MARCHERS EXPECT TO ARRIVE AT SAN JUAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, SAN JUAN, TEXAS. NO INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OR DISTURBANCE OF ANY KIND REPORTED TODAY.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF ANY PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

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FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-New)

By [illegible]

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RE: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, JULY 4, 1966
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re San Antonio airtel dated 6/28/66, captioned, "PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION."

Enclosed to the Bureau are 11 copies of LHM dated and captioned as above, suitable for dissemination. Local dissemination has been made of the LHM to USA, San Antonio, AUSA, Brownsville, Secret Service, San Antonio and Austin, Austin PD, Travis County Sheriff's Office, 112th INTC, OSI, 10th District, ONI, 8th Naval District.

Enclosed for Houston and Los Angeles are two copies each of above-mentioned LHM. One copy of LHM is furnished El Paso for information in view of the fact they have received previous communications.

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[redacted] also advised that MARGIL SANCHEZ is vice president of the local union and LUCIO GALVAN has been active in handling the distribution of food in connection with the strikers.

SOURCES

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SA T-1 [redacted]	
SA T-2 [redacted]	[redacted]

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San Antonio, Texas

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June 29, 1966

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PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, JULY 4, 1966

On June 28, 1966, SA T-1 informed that information has been received by SA T-1 from a source whom he did not wish to identify that members of the National Farm Workers Association plan a march from Rio Grande City, Texas, to the vicinity of San Juan, Texas, on July 4, 1966.

[redacted]

SA T-2 said Eugene Nelson is a leader in the National Farm Workers Association strike in the Rio Grande Valley.

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San Antonio, Texas

June 29, 1966

Title PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, JULY 4, 1966

Character

Reference San Antonio memorandum dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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To: SAC, San Antonio

From: Director, FBI

PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reurairtel dated 6/28/66.

Insure that the Bureau is kept apprised of the details of a march planned by the National Farm Workers Association from Rio Grande City, Texas, to Austin, Texas.

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NOTE:

San Antonio advised by airtel of a proposed march by the National Farm Workers Association from Rio Grande City, Texas, to Austin, Texas, via President Johnson's ranch in time to end in Austin on Labor Day . The march reportedly will take approximately one month to cover the distance.

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TO SAN ANTONIO 62-3226

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXS, JULY FOUR LAST.

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SUTEL AT THE END OF THE MARCH ON JULY SEVEN ONE NINE SIX SIX, GIVING THE LOCATION OF THE MARCHERS, THE NUMBER OF MARCHERS THAT HAVE BEEN PARTICIPATING, IDENTITY OF THE LEADERS AND WHETHER ANY INCIDENTS HAVE OCCURRED. ALSO SUTEL PERTINENT INFORMATION UPON FINAL CONCLUSION OF MARCH ON JULY EIGHT ONE NINE SIX SIX.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3226)

PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, JULY FOUR LAST.

RE SAN ANTONIO TEL TO DIRECTOR JULY FOUR LAST.

FARM WORKERS CONTINUED MARCH, TRAVELING FROM SULLIVAN CITY TO LA JOYA, TEXAS, THIS DATE. NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED. MARCHERS EXPECT TO ARRIVE SAN JUAN, TEXAS, FRIDAY, JULY EIGHT NEXT. UNLESS INCIDENTS OF INTERESTS OCCUR, NO FURTHER TELS WILL BE SENT UNTIL MARCH ENDS ON FRIDAY.

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NOTE:

The National Farm Workers Association began a march on 7/4/66 at Rio Grande City, Texas, and are due to conclude the march on 7/8/66 at San Juan, Texas. The marchers are protesting low salaries paid to the members of their association. San Antonio advised by teletype, 7/5/66, that no incidents have occurred during the march and unless incidents do occur, no further teletypes will be sent to the Bureau until the conclusion of the march on Friday, 7/8/66. Information relating to the march is desired by the close of business on 7/9/66 and San Antonio is being instructed accordingly.

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6XX5-45 PM CST URGENT 7-7-66 WHS

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3226)

100-444762-44

PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS JULY FOUR, SIXTYSIX.

FARM WORKERS CONTINUED THEIR MARCH TODAY FROM MISSION, TEXAS THROUGH MC ALLEN, TEXAS, AND THEN TO EDINBURG, TEXAS, HIDALGO COUNTY SEAT. MOST OF MARCHERS PLAN TO RETURN TO RIO GRANDE CITY OR MISSION, TEXAS, TO SPEND NIGHT AND TOMORROW WILL RESUME MARCH GOING FROM EDINBURG TO SAN JUAN WHERE MARCH WILL END WITH SPECIAL MASS AT SAN JUAN CATHEDRAL. LEADERS OF MARCH IS UNION ORGANIZER EUGENE NELSON AND HE HAS BEEN JOINED BY REVEREND JAMES NAVARRO, BAPTIST MINISTER FROM HOUSTON, TEXAS, AND WENDLE SCOTT, MC ALLEN CHURCH OF CHRIST MINISTER. NO INCIDENTS OF ANY KIND HAVE OCCURRED DURING MARCH UP TO THIS POINT. SAN ANTONIO WILL SUBMIT TEL AT CONCLUSION OF MARCH JULY EIGHT NEXT. 100-444762-46

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FBI SANANTO

712 PM CST 7/8/66 URGENT LAL

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3226) 1P

[redacted]

PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS JULY FOUR, SIXTYSIX.

RE URTEL JULY SIX LAST AND MYTEL JULY SEVEN LAST.

FARM WORKERS CONCLUDED MARCH TODAY ARRIVING SAN JUAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, SAN JUAN, TEXAS AT FIVE FIFTEEN PM. AFTER SPECIAL MASS AND MEETING WITH BISHOP MEDEIROS OF BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS DIOCESE, MARCHERS ARE EXPECTED TO BEGIN RETURNING TO THEIR HOMES IN STARR COUNTY. NO INCIDENTS OR DISTURBANCES REPORTED TODAY AND NO PLANS KNOWN TO CONTINUE MARCH AFTER TODAY.

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550 PM CST 7/11/66 URGENT LAL

TO DIRECTOR AND HOUSTON (AM)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3226) 1P

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PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, JULY FOUR, SIXTYSIX.

RE SAN ANTONIO TEL TO BUREAU JULY EIGHT LAST.

FIFTEEN FARM WORKERS BEGAN MARCH THIS DATE FROM SAN JUAN CATHOLIC CHURCH ON FIRST LEG OF PROPOSED MARCH TO AUSTIN, TEXAS. MARCHERS PLAN ARRIVAL AT AUSTIN LABOR DAY. PROPOSED ROUTE INCLUDES NIGHT STOPS AT WESLACO, ELSA, LYFORD, AND RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS. MARCHERS WILL THEN PROCEED THROUGH LINN, TEXAS, NORTH TO FALFURRIAS, TEXAS. PLAN FIRST NIGHT STOP AT NORTH SIDE PLAZA PARK, WESLACO, TEXAS. NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED DURING FIRST DAY'S MARCH.

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HOUSTON WILL KEEP BUREAU ADVISED OF PERTINENT INFO WHEN MARCHERS IN THAT DIVISION.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-44762) DATE: 7/13/66

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449) (C)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
IS-C

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Re San Antonio airtel and LHM to Director dated 6/28/66, and captioned "PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, MISC. INFORMATION CONCERNING."

The only additional information in the Los Angeles files concerning EUGENE NELSON not in possession of the San Antonio Office is the following:

EUGENE NELSON is an ex-police reporter and a graduate of Marshall, Ill, "Handy Institute." (no source)

An advertisement appeared on page 14 of Edition #26, 1966, of the "El Malcriado" (which means "Rebel"), the National Farm Workers Press paper, of a book for sale entitled "Huelga" by EUGENE NELSON.

The files of the Los Angeles Office contain no pertinent subversive information concerning DOLORES HUERTA, Vice President of the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA), other than the fact that SAM KUSHNER, editor of "The Peoples World" (PW), has been in touch with her on several occasions.

The PW is a weekly West Coast Communist newspaper.

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On 11/9/65, [redacted] advised that some of those participating in the Delano Grape Strike felt that the PW was the only newspaper reporting the true facts.

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It would appear that contacts between HUERTA and the PW had been made to obtain coverage of the Delano Grape Strike, and too, that receipt of the PW at the office of the Farm Workers Association was to determine actual coverage being given.

Files of the Los Angeles Office indicate little, if any, effort to actually infiltrate the NFWA. Discussions at various CP meetings have been numerous concerning the Delano Grape Strikers and all members have been urged to help the strikers on the picket lines, and if not there, to help by giving them food and clothing.

In view of the above, it is not felt that continued investigation concerning the cominfil of the NFWA is warranted at this time, and accordingly, Los Angeles is closing this case.

Upon receipt of information indicating CP efforts to actually infiltrate the NFWA, Los Angeles will reopen its case.

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
MAY 1962 EDITION
GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/13/66

FROM : SAC, HOUSTON (62-2382) (P)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, JULY 4, 1966
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re San Antonio airtels to Bureau, 6/28/66 and 6/29/66.

Houston Office has previously furnished to San Antonio all information pertinent to this matter which is known to the Houston Office. Any information along this line which is developed will be furnished promptly. Informants and sources have been alerted for this type of information.

This matter is being retained in pending status by the Houston Office since a portion of captioned march is scheduled to pass through Houston Division.

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2 - San Antonio (62-) (RM)
2 - Houston
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TELETYPE

747 PM CST 7/13/66 URGENT LAL

TO DIRECTOR AND HOUSTON (AM)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3226) 1P

PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE [redacted] CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, JULY FOUR, SIXTYSIX.

RE SAN ANTONIO TEL TO BUREAU JULY ELEVEN LAST.

APPROXIMATELY FORTY EIGHT MARCHERS LED BY HOUSTON PRIEST [redacted] ANTONIO GONZALEZ AND HOUSTON BAPTIST MINISTER JAMES NAVARRO MARCHED FROM ELSO, TEXAS TO LA VILLA, TEXAS TODAY WITHOUT INCIDENT. MARCHERS PLAN RETURN TO SAN JUAN CATHOLIC SHRINE TONIGHT AND RESUME MARCH TO ARYMONDVILLE, TEXAS TOMORROW.

UACB AIRTEL WILL BE SUBMITTED DAILY REGARDING MARCH UNLESS INCIDENT OCCURS.

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FBI SANANTON

805 PM CST 7/15/66 URGENT LAL

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3226)

[redacted]

PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, JULY FOUR SIXTY SIX.

[redacted]

RE SAN ANTONIO AIRTEL JULY FOURTEEN LAST.

MARCHERS WILL REMAIN RAYMONDVILLE, TEXAS TONIGHT FOR PLANNED RALLY. NO INCIDENTS AS OF THIS DATE. UACB NO FURTHER AIRTEL WILL BE SENT UNTIL MONDAY, JULY EIGHTEEN NEXT WHEN SUMMARY OF WEEKEND ACTIVITIES WILL BE SUBMITTED.

AM COPY TO HOUSTON.

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FBI

Date: 7/14/66

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI FD-217-6 Sa 7-20-66 MJ mcy

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3226) (P)

RE: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66

Re San Antonio teletype dated 7/13/66.

Marchers proceeded from La Villa, Texas, to Raymondville, Texas, this date without incident. Plan rally in Raymondville tonight and then will proceed towards Falfurrias, Texas, tomorrow.

San Antonio will advise immediately if any incidents occur.

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1-Houston (Info)
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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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FBI

Date: 7/19/66

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3226)(P)

RE: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66

Re San Antonio teletype 7/15/66.

Marchers stopped for day on 7/18/66 near San Manuel, Texas, and were taken by bus to Rio Grande City for a Farm Workers Union meeting. March to continue 7/19/66 toward Falfurrias, Texas. No incidents or disturbances have occurred.

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3 - Bureau
1 - Houston (Info)
2 - San Antonio
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Special Agent in Charge

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FBI

Date: 7/22/66

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3226)

RE: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66

Re San Antonio airtel to the Bureau 7/21/66.

Eighteen marchers led by Father ANTONIO GONZALEZ, a Houston priest, reached a point halfway between Rachael, Texas, and Falfurrias, Texas, Thursday afternoon, 7/21/66.

Marchers planned to resume march at that point on Friday, 7/22/66 and reach Falfurrias Friday afternoon for a reception and rally.

Houston Division will keep Bureau and San Antonio advised of marchers' progress during the time they are in the Houston Division. Will also advise San Antonio when marchers re-enter San Antonio territory.

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2 - Houston
2 - San Antonio
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FBI

Date: 7/22/66

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (62-2382) (P)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 7/21/66, 20 members of National Farm Workers Association (NFWA), Local No. 2, continued their march covering about 12 miles and two dropped out. The others were scheduled to arrive at Falfurrias, Texas, afternoon of 7/22/66, where motel reservations had been made and a rally was planned at Knights of Columbus Hall at 5 p.m. The marchers included the Reverend ANTONIO GONZALES, Catholic Priest, and the Reverend JAMES L. NOVARRO, Baptist Minister, both of Houston, Texas. These two clergymen were to leave for Corpus Christi, Texas, before the rally began to help plan the marchers' arrival at Corpus Christi. A big rally at Corpus Christi was reported to be in planning stages for 7/30/66.

CG [redacted] On 7/22/66, EUGENE NELSON, leader of the striking Rio Grande Valley farm laborers and organizer for NFWA, Local No. 2, was reported to have returned suddenly to California, and it was assumed leadership of the march would be taken over by one of the clergymen mentioned above.

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2 - Houston
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At a meeting night of 7/21/66, NAACP at Corpus Christi reportedly agreed to participate in the protest march and had appointed a committee to procure food and clothing for the marchers.

No disturbances or incidents have been reported in connection with the march.

LEADS

HOUSTON

AT CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS AND AREA Will keep Bureau and San Antonio Office advised of developments and progress in instant protest march.

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FBI

Date: 7/21/66

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3226)(P)

RE: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66

Re San Antonio airtel to the Bureau 7/20/66.

Approximately twenty marchers stopped for the day approximately twenty four miles north of Linn, Texas. Marchers will be taken by bus to Falfurrias for night and will resume march tomorrow. Marchers still led by Father ANTONIO GONZALEZ, Houston Catholic priest, and labor organizer EUGENE NELSON. [redacted]

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2 - San Antonio
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FBI

Date: 7/20/66

Transmit the following in _____
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Via _____ AIRTEL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3226)

RE: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66.

Re San Antonio airtel July 19, 1966.

After a Union meeting in Rio Grande City Monday, 7/18/66, nineteen marchers led by ANTONIO GONZALEZ of Houston, Texas, marched today from San Manuel to a point midway between Linn and Rachael, Texas, a distance of approximately twelve miles. Marchers will spend night in Catholic Church in Falfurrias where they will be taken by bus. Marchers expect to reach Falfurrias by Friday, 7/22/66.

LEADS

THE HOUSTON DIVISION

Will, UACB, when marchers reach Falfurrias, assume responsibility of submitting daily airtel.

Will also advise San Antonio when marchers re-enter San Antonio Division.

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2 - San Antonio
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FBI

Date: 7/26/66

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (62-2382)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, JULY 4, 1966
MISCELLANEOUS
INFORMATION CONCERNING

RE: Houston airtel to Bureau, 7/22/66.

Approximately 19 marchers participating in march from Falfurrias, Texas, to Kingsville, Texas, will arrive Kingsville 5 PM, 7/26/66, and will be met at city limits by police escort and mayor of Kingsville. Marchers will, following brief greeting ceremonies, proceed to Saint Martin's Catholic Church, Kingsville, for rally and supper night of 7/26/66 and will receive bed and board at Saint Martin's Church buildings, Kingsville, until Friday when march is expected to leave for Corpus Christi, Texas. No incidents to date.

3 - Bureau
1 - San Antonio (62-3226)
2 - Houston

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FBI

Date: 7/23/66

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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (62-2382) (P)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Approximately 27 marchers in behalf of Local No. 2 Farm Workers Union arrived Falfurrias, Texas, 7/22/66, and headquartered at Prairie Motel, Falfurrias. They held rally at Knights of Columbus Hall attended by about 100 persons night of 7/22/66 and marchers left Falfurrias 7:50 a.m., enroute to Premont, Texas, about ten miles north of Falfurrias on Highway 281. Marchers were greeted by Premont Mayor and local officials and well received. After lunch marchers returned to Falfurrias by bus. Present plans to resume march Monday a.m., 7/25/66, enroute to Kingsville, Texas, and planned to arrive there Tuesday, 7/26/66. No incidents to date.

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2 - San Antonio (62-3226)
2 - Houston
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To: SACs, Houston (62-2322)
San Antonio (62-3226)

From: Director, FBI (62-444162 59)

PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(SUBVERSIVE CONTROL)

ReHOairtel to the Bureau dated 7/23/66.

You are instructed to submit weekly airtels with regard to captioned matter to reach the Bureau by Thursday of each week until the march is completed. Any incidents, should, of course, be brought to the Bureau's attention expeditiously.

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NOTE:

Captioned march, which is being sponsored by National Farm Workers Association, is due to reach San Juan, Texas, on Labor Day. The marchers are protesting low wages paid to members of their organization, most of whom are itinerant farm workers. The march so far has been conducted without incident. San Antonio and Houston Offices have been submitting daily airtels. Since this is not desired, in view of the fact that no incidents occurred, these offices are being instructed as set forth above.

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FD-36 (Rev. 5-22-64)

FBI

Date: 7/29/66

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON(62-2382) (P)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED MARCHERS FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66 MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

RE: Houston airtel to Bureau, dated 7/28/66.

Approximately 25 marchers left Robstown, 1:30 PM, 7/29/66 en route to Corpus Christi escorted by approximately 20 cars with sympathizers and expect to arrive Corpus Christi tonight. No incidents reported.

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2 - San Antonio (AM)
2 - Houston

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FBI

Date: 7/28/66

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (62-2382) (P)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED MARCHERS FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66 MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

Twenty-two marchers arrived 7/28/66, Robstown, Texas, without incident. Marchers staying various motels, Robstown tonight. Plan short rally at St. Martin's Chapel, Robstown, morning 7/29/66, and will then proceed to Corpus Christi, Texas, to arrive night of 7/29/66.

3 - Bureau (AM)
2 - San Antonio (62-3226) (AM)
2 - Houston

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C.C. Wick

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Approved: 57 AUG 5 1966 Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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FBI

Date: 8/1/66

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (62-2382)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING

100-447762-60

Re: Houston airtel to Bureau dated 7/29/66.

Twentytwo (22) marchers left Robstown, Texas, Saturday, AM, via Highway 44, arrived Corpus Christi, Texas about 1:00 P.M. Rally was held in vacant lot, Highway 44 and Baldwin Boulevard, Corpus Christi and marchers were welcomed by City Councilmen. Marchers were addressed briefly by ROY EVANS, Secretary-Treasurer of Texas AFL-CIO, Reverend JAMES NAVORRO, Father ANTONIO GONZALES, Dr. HECTOR GARCIA of Corpus Christi and MOSES LEROY of Houston, an official of the NAACP. Marchers were joined by an estimated 1,000 sympathizers and marched to Corpus Christi Cathedral where a special Mass was offered by Most Reverend THOMAS J. DRURY, Bishop of Corpus Christi Diocese. Marchers will remain at El Tejano Motel, Corpus Christi until Tuesday, 8/2/66 when march will continue en route to Austin, Texas via Gregory, Texas. No incidents reported.

3 - Bureau (AM)
2 - San Antonio (AM)
2 - Houston

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Date: 8/5/66

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (62-2382)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS 7/4/66.

MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Approximately 30 marchers left Corpus Christi Cathedral, Tuesday A.M., 8/2/66, en route to Gregory, Texas, headed by EUGENE NELSON, farm labor organizer, and the Rev, JAMES NOVARRO, Southern Baptist minister from Houston, Texas.

The group is to be served luncheon at Gregory, Texas by a group of women members of several Corpus Christi Presbyterian churches. No incidents in connection with this demonstration have been reported to date.

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To: SAC, Houston (62-2382)

From: Director, FBI (100-444762)

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PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66.

MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reairtel 8/5/66.

Reairtel states that a group of approximately 30 marchers left Corpus Christi Cathedral, 8/2/66 en route to Gregory, Texas.

The Bureau is unable to locate any prior correspondence from your office concerning this matter. Promptly furnish the Bureau background information concerning this march, and advise whether there are any subversive elements connected with this activity.

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NOTE:

We have conducted limited inquiries in the past concerning the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) and our information indicates it is not controlled or guided by communists but that several alleged members in the west coast area have extremely liberal views and that CP members or sympathizers have furnished support to NFWA in its conflict with the grape growers in California. The NFWA was a local independent union which became affiliated with the AFL-CIO in 1965. It was reportedly organized for the purpose of supporting migrant farmers and grape pickers in their strike in Delano, California.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3226)(P)

RE: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66

Enclosed to the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM captioned as above, suitable for dissemination.

Local dissemination has been made to USA, San Antonio, AUSA, Brownsville, Secret Service, San Antonio and Austin, Austin Police Department, Travis County Sheriff's Office, 112th INTC, OSI, Tenth District, and ONI, Eighth Naval District.

Enclosed for Houston and Los Angeles are two copies each of the above mentioned LHM.

C.C. - Wick

Inasmuch as there were no incidents of violence or threats of violence or racial overtones during the course of this march through the San Antonio Division area, the activities of the marchers is being set out in the attached LHM in a summary form. Activities of the marchers

3 - Bureau (Encls. 11)
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after they entered the Houston Division are not included in this enclosed LHM.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

San Antonio, Texas

August 5, 1966

PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, July 4, 1966

The Valley Morning Star, daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas, carried an article on July 4, 1966, which article stated that farm workers from Rio Grande City, Texas, planned to begin a march on that date from Rio Grande City to Pharr, Texas, to call attention to the Starr County farm workers strike.

On July 4, 1966, the Valley Evening Monitor, a daily newspaper published at McAllen, Texas, printed an article stating that approximately 100 marchers had marched from Rio Grande City, Texas, to Sullivan City, Texas, and that they planned to resume the march on Tuesday, July 5, 1966, and continue to Friday when the marchers expect to arrive at San Juan Catholic Church, San Juan, Texas.

On July 4, 1966, [redacted] advised that the marchers had finished the first day of their march traveling from Rio Grande City, Texas, to Sullivan City, Texas, and that no incidents of violence or disturbances of any kind had occurred.

On July 5, 1966, [redacted] advised that the marchers, numbering approximately 100, had traveled that date from Sullivan City to LaJoya, Texas, without incident of any kind.

On July 6, 1966, [redacted] advised that the farm workers

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marching to Pharr, Texas, had arrived at Mission that date and that many of them planned to return to Rio Grande City to spend the night and then resume the march from Mission the following day. He advised that union organizer EUGENE NELSON, leader of the marchers, had been joined by Reverend JAMES NAVARRO, Baptist minister from Houston, Texas, and WENDLE SCOTT, McAllen Church of Christ minister. [redacted] advised he had no reports of any disturbances or incidents of violence during the day's march.

On July 7, 1966, [redacted], advised that the farm workers had continued their march on this date from Mission, Texas, passing through McAllen, Texas, and then traveling to Edinburg, Texas, Hidalgo County seat. He stated that he understood that most of the marchers would return to Rio Grande City for the night and resume the march from Edinburg the following day. [redacted] stated that the march through the McAllen area was very peaceful and disciplined, and that he knew of no reports of violence or threats of violence during the day's proceedings.

On July 8, 1966, [redacted] advised that the farm workers, number approximately 125, had concluded their march this date, arriving at the San Juan Catholic Church, San Juan, Texas, at approximately 5:15 PM. They were met at the church by Bishop MEDEIROS of the Brownsville, Texas, diocese who celebrated a special mass and held a meeting with the marchers wherein he indicated that the church was concerned and interested in their cause. [redacted] advised that no incidents or disturbances of any kind had been noted during the day.

On July 11, 1966, [redacted] advised that approximately fifteen farm workers had left the San Juan Catholic Church on the first leg of a proposed march to Austin, Texas, to draw attention to their strike for higher wages. He stated that public sources indicated that the marchers planned to

PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY,
TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ETC.

arrive at Austin, Texas, on Labor Day.

On July 12, 1966, [redacted] advised that approximately fifteen to twenty marchers had arrived in Weslaco, Texas, on July 11, 1966, and that on July 12, 1966, they had proceeded east from Weslaco and arrived at Elsa, Texas, at the end of the march on July 12, 1966. He stated that the marchers were returned by bus to the San Juan Catholic Church and will resume their march from Elsa on July 13, 1966.

On July 13, 1966, [redacted] advised that the marchers had traveled that date from Elsa, Texas, to LaVilla, and that there had been no report of any incidents of violence or racial overtones.

On July 14, 1966 [redacted], advised that the marchers, numbering approximately twenty, had proceeded from LaVilla, Texas, to Lyford, Texas, which is near Raymondville, Texas. He stated that the marchers planned to arrive in Raymondville the next day and hold a rally and then would proceed toward Falfurrias, Texas. He further added that no incidents of any kind had been reported to his office.

On July 15, 1966, [redacted] advised that the marchers had arrived at Raymondville, Texas, early that date and that they planned to remain in Raymondville for the night to participate in a planned rally. He stated that the marchers, during their stay in Raymondville, had been orderly and law abiding at all times.

On July 18, 1966, [redacted], advised that the marchers had arrived at the close of that day near San Manuel, Texas, and that he understood that they planned to take a bus to Rio Grande City for a farm workers union meeting.

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On July 20, 1966, [redacted], advised that after a meeting in Rio Grande City, Monday, July 18, 1966, approximately nineteen marchers led by ANTONIO GONZALEZ of Houston, Texas, marched from San Manuel to a point midway between Linn, and Rachel, Texas, a distance of approximately twelve miles. He stated that he understood the marchers would be taken by bus to the Catholic church in Falfurrias where they would spend the night. Marchers expect to reach Falfurrias by Friday, July 22, 1966.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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Date: 8/10/66

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (62-2382) (P)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66.
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(SUBVERSIVE CONTROL)

RE: Houston airtel to Bureau, 8/5/66.

On 8/6/66, a check in amount of $1,000 was presented to EUGENE NELSON, organizer of marchers representing National Farm Workers Union, by HIRAM MOON, area Director, UAW, Dallas, Texas, at Mathis, Texas. The presentation was made at a rally for the marchers, held at Mathis, Texas, on 8/6/66, attended by approximately 800 persons. NELSON said that International UAW has been contributing $2500 a month to the National Farm Workers Association at Delano, California. The Rio Grande Valley marchers voted recently to become a branch of the National Farm Workers Union. NELSON stated the Rio Grande marchers were given a $1,000 check by PAUL MONTEMAYOR, Staff Representative for two Corpus Christi locals of the United Steel Workers Union.

The protest march of the Rio Grande Valley farm workers is scheduled to resume from Mathis at noon Tuesday, August 9, 1966.

The following is the proposed itinerary of the marchers:

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Leave Mathis, Texas 12:00 noon 8/9/66, arrive Tynan, Texas, then Skidmore, Texas on 8/10/66. Arrive Beeville, Texas 8/11/66. Arrive Normanna, Texas 8/12/66. Arrive Pettus, Texas 8/13/66. The marchers will rest on 8/14, 15/66 and will arrive at an undesignated place between Pettus and Kenedy, Texas 8/16/66. They will arrive at Kenedy, Texas 18/17/66, Karnes City, 8/18/66, Falls City, 8/19/66, Poth, 8/20/66. The marchers will rest 8/21, 22/66, and will arrive at Floresville, 8/23/66, Sastamco, 8/24/66, Southam, 8/26/66, and will arrive at San Antonio, Texas 8/27/66.

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Date: 8/17/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (62-2382)(RUC)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(SUBVERSIVE CONTROL)

RE: Houston airtel to Bureau, 8/16/66.

On 8/12/66 the marchers left Beeville at 9:30 AM and marched to Normanna, Texas, a distance of about nine miles north. The marchers returned to Beeville, Texas, to spend the night.

On 8/13/66, the marchers were taken back to Normanna, Texas, and continued their march to Pettus, Texas.

On 8/14/66, the marchers were taken to their homes in the Rio Grande Valley to visit their families and rest. This is their last scheduled visit to their homes until after the rally in Austin, Texas, on 9/5/66.

On 8/16/66, the marchers left Pettus, Texas, en route to a point between Pettus and Kenedy, Texas, continuing their march to San Antonio, Texas.

Inasmuch as the marchers are now in San Antonio territory, no further investigation is being conducted by the Houston Office, and this case is being placed in an RUC status in the Houston Office.

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FBI

Date: 8/16/66

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (62-2382) (P)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66 MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING (Subversive Control)

Re Houston airtel to Bureau, 8/5/66 and Bureau airtel to Houston, 8/10/66.

Reairtel 8/10/66 stated Bureau unable to locate any prior correspondence from Houston concerning this matter.

Captioned march originated in the San Antonio Division and, according to correspondence in the Houston file, San Antonio furnished airtels enclosing LHM each on 6/28/66 and 6/29/66, bearing above caption.

Houston has submitted airtels to Bureau dated 7/13/66, 7/22/66, 7/26/66, 7/27/66, 7/28/66, 7/29/66, 8/1/66, bearing above caption, prior to submission of reairtel dated 8/5/66.

Bureau airtel 7/28/66 to Houston and San Antonio instructed that weekly airtels instead of daily airtels be submitted by Houston and San Antonio to the Bureau in this matter. No information as to any subversive elements being connected with this march has been developed while the march has been progressing in the Houston Division. 100-444762-67

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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI ( ) DATE: 8-22-66

FROM : Legal Attache, Ottawa (105-2847-5,7)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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Reference: LHMs dated 10-25-65, at Los Angeles, and 11-3-65, at Pittsburgh, forwarded with BUlet dated 8-10-66, re [redacted] and [redacted]

Dissemination, as outlined below, was made on dates indicated to foreign agencies listed.

[x] Single copies of re LHMs

[ ] Pertinent information from

Name and Location of Agency	Date Furnished
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MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(SUBVERSIVE CONTROL)

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Re Bureau airtel to Houston and San Antonio, 7/28/66.

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advised about forty marchers arrived at Kenedy, Texas, in two groups, the first reaching the city at noon and the second at about 3:30 P.M. They are to be served dinner at the local Catholic Church after which part of the marchers will return to Beeville, Texas, for the night, the rest remaining at Kenedy. [redacted] said no incidents had occurred.

San Antonio will pursue Bureau instructions in this matter.

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FBI

Date: 7/27/66

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (62-2382)

SUBJECT: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Approximately 21 to 25 marchers proceeded to Bishop, Texas, a distance of about 10 miles north of Kingsville, Texas, on Highway 77, and when march was ½ mile south of city limits marchers numbered approximately 80, increasing to about 100 upon reaching city limits. Marchers were quiet and orderly and no incidents. After short rally at Bishop Public Park marchers returned to headquarters at downtown motel Kingsville, on 7/27/66.

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Date: 8/24/66

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Via AIRTEL _____ REC-49
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3226) (P)

RE: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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100-444762-68

Re San Antonio airtel to the Bureau, 8/17/66.

On 8/18/66, the marchers arrived at Karnes City, Texas, at approximately 4:30 p.m. There were approximately 80 people in the group, including a large number of persons from San Antonio. A short rally was held at the Karnes County Courthouse on 8/18/66, following which supper was served to marchers, and they then left Karnes City for the night, some returning to Kenedy, Texas, and some to Beeville, Texas.

On 8/19/66, the marchers returned to Karnes City, Texas, and proceeded to Falls City, Texas, arriving about 4:00 p.m. There were about 40 marchers in the group. They again returned to Kenedy and Beeville, Texas, for the night.

On 8/20/66, the marchers arrived at Poth, Texas, at approximately 12 o'clock noon. The entire group left Poth about 1:00 p.m., 8/20/66.

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2-San Antonio
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On 8/23/66, the group of approximately 50 marchers arrived at Floresville, Texas, at 4:50 p.m. A rally was scheduled for 7:30 p.m., 8/23/66, at the Wilson County Courthouse square, to which members of the local news media had been invited.

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By separate communication San Antonio has requested San Francisco or Los Angeles Divisions to furnish characterization of [redacted]

No incidents reported.

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FBI

Date: 8/31/66

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3226) (P)

RE: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66 MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING [redacted]

Re San Antonio airtel to Bureau, 8/24/66.

Since referenced airtel, marchers have progressed from Floresville, Texas, to approximately New Braunfels, Texas, 30 miles northeast of San Antonio, en route to Austin. Marchers spent weekend of 8/27-28/66, in San Antonio, during which a mass was celebrated by Archbishop ROBERT E. LUCEY of the San Antonio Archdiocese and also during which a candlelight procession from Milam Square to the Alamo was held.

[redacted] of the People's World, who is from San Francisco, California, covered activities of marchers while in San Antonio.

No information developed that [redacted] participated in march in San Antonio.

No incidents reported.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3226)

PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, JULY FOUR, ONE NINE SIX SIX, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING.

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HUNTSVILLE GROUP JOINED WITH FARM WORKERS GROUP AT AUSTIN, TEXAS THIS DATE WHERE MARCH WAS TERMINATED AT TEXAS STATE CAPITOL. SPEECHES WERE MADE BY LEADERS OF MARCHERS AND SENATOR RALPH YARBROUGH AND REPRESENTATIVE HENRY B. GONZALEZ DEMANDING ONE DOLLAR TWENTYFIVE CENTS PER HOUR MINIMUM WAGE FOR FARM LABORERS. MARCH TERMINATED WITHOUT INCIDENT.

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
MAY 1962 EDITION
GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762) DATE: 9/13/66

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449) (C)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION DELANO, CALIFORNIA IS - C

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The sources utilized in the LHM are as follows:

Source No. 1 is [redacted]

Source No. 2 is [redacted]
Source No. 3 is [redacted]
Source No. 4 is [redacted]

Enclosed LHM is classified [redacted] inasmuch as it contains information from sources of continuing value, dissemination of which might identify these sources and jeopardize their future effectiveness.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California
September 13, 1966

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All sources utilized herein have furnished reliable information in the past.

Source No. 1 furnished the following information in October, 1965 and in January, 1966:

On September 8, 1965, the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee (AWOC), AFL-CIO, with headquarters in Washington, D. C., declared a strike against the grape growers in Tulare and Kern Counties, California with 72 Filipino grape pickers participating. On September 19, 1965, the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) also joined this strike, which then brought the Mexican and Puerto Ricans into this matter. The purpose of the strike was supposedly to increase the wages of the grape pickers.

NFWA is a local independent union, which has only reportedly been affiliated with the AFL-CIO since September, 1965. This affiliation is allegedly only for the purpose of supporting the present Delano-Tulare County strike. NFWA was formed about five years ago.

Cesar E. Chavez, a male Mexican, born January 31, 1927, possibly at Delano, California, 5'3", 135 pounds, straight black hair, brown eyes, dark complexion, is the founder and Director of NFWA, with headquarters at 102 Albany Street, Delano, telephone number 3661.

Chavez spent about 14 years in San Jose, California, prior to 1963, as a recruiter for the Community Service Organization (CSO) at San Jose. CSO is a "war on poverty" type organization. Prior to his 14 years with CSO, Chavez was

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with the same organization in Los Angeles and San Diego, California. Since January, 1963, Chavez has resided in Delano.

Chavez refuses to answer any questionnaires directed to him by credit bureaus or similar organizations. He has openly been called a communist at Delano City Council meetings; however, source does not possess any definite information in this regard. Source does believe that Chavez associates with "left wing" type individuals and is known to distribute the "People's World" from his office at Delano, free of charge. Chavez publishes and sells a paper called "El Malcriado", described as the "voice of the farm worker", and the official voice of the NFWA. This paper sells for 10 cents a copy. Subscriptions to this paper can be mailed to Post Office Box 394, Delano.

The "People's World" is a weekly West Coast communist newspaper.

Chavez was arrested by the Tulare County, California Sheriff's Office during November, 1965 for illegal use of a loud speaker, has pleaded innocent, and is presently out on $110 bail. Chavez's arrest resulted in his use of a loud speaker from an airplane.

A notice appeared in issue No. 22 of the "El Malcriado" (this publication was not dated) which stated:

> "$1,000 Reward. El Malcriado will pay a cash reward of $1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons referring to the National Farm Workers Association, its leaders and officers, or El Malcriado and its representatives as 'communists' or 'communist-led', 'inspired' or any similar statements. Such references are false and illegal, and we intend to punish anyone saying these things to the full extent of the law."

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[redacted]

Source No. 2 advised in March, 1966, that David Phillip Perlin resided at 1811 Lucretia Avenue, Los Angeles, California, and was enrolled at the Los Angeles City College, 855 North Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles. His parents are Paul and Luba Perlin. Paul Perlin is a member of the International Longshoremens and Warehousemens Union, Local 26, 5625 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles.

[redacted]

The following description of David Perlin was obtained from records of [redacted] and from source No. 2 in February, 1965:

Name	David Phillip Perlin
Birth Data	November 18, 1946 Los Angeles, California
Race	White
Sex	Male
Weight	165 pounds
Height	5'9"
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Pecularities	Wears horn-rimmed glasses, has thick lips, and lisps when talking

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APPENDIX

CENTRAL LOS ANGELES DU BOIS CLUB
formerly known as the Youth Action
Union and Los Angeles Youth for
Peace and Socialism

A source advised on March 25, 1965, that during the period January through March, 1962, a series of formation meetings to establish a "Socialist Youth Organization", was held in the Los Angeles area. LEONARD POTASH was acting chairman in charge of the group and PAUL ROSENSTEIN and FRANKLIN ALEXANDER were named to a provisional committee to help organize the new group. On April 3, 1962, the group officially selected the name of Los Angeles Youth for Peace and Socialism (LAYPS), and elected officers.

A second source advised that POTASH, ROSENSTEIN, and ALEXANDER as of 1963 were all members of the Southern California District Communist Party (SCDCP).

A third source advised on May 12, 1964, that the LAYPS was organized with the full knowledge and assistance of DOROTHY HEALEY, chairman of the SCDCP and that several Communist Party (CP) members had been approved by HEALEY to teach Marxist theory to members of the LAYPS. This source further advised that the LAYPS was to be a Marxist study and action group and that the teachings of KARL MARX were to be followed. Source also advised that although the alleged purpose of the group was to promote "Socialism" in the United States, the group considered themselves to be "Communist Party Orientated" and were anxious to study the brand of Marxism associated with the CPUSA.

The first source above further advised that in June, 1963, LAYPS changed the name of the organization to Youth Action Union (YAU) for two reasons: The first being that it was felt that LAYPS had gained a bad reputation because of its association with CP groups, the second because it was felt the word "Socialism" in the title was driving away possible recruits.

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The first source above advised that in August, 1964, the YAU affiliated with the W.E.B. Du Bois Clubs of America and adopted the name of Central Los Angeles W.E.B. Du Bois Club.

The first source further advised on April 28, 1966, that in February, 1966, all of the Los Angeles area Du Bois Clubs consolidated inot one large city-wide club known as the Los Angeles Du Bois Club. As a result the Central Los Angeles Du Bois Club no longer exists as a separate club.

APPENDIX

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FBI

Date: Sept. 7, 1966

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ia AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3226) (C)

RE: PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, 7/4/66
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Re San Antonio airtel to Bureau 8/31/66 and San Antonio tel to Bureau 9/5/66.

On 8/31/66 marchers were met by Governor JOHN CONNALLY, accompanied by Attorney General WAGGONER CARR and House Speaker BEN BARNES (all Texas), near New Braunfels, Texas, in a surprise move by CONNALLY. CONNALLY rejected their bid for early minimum wage legislation. CONNALLY said he would not meet with marchers in Austin on Labor Day and that he would not be in Austin at that time. CONNALLY said he would not greet the marchers even if he were to be in his office on Labor Day. He said he did not feel as Governor of Texas that he should lend the dignity and prestige of his office to dramatize any march. He told the marchers they did not need a march to get in to see him.

Group from Huntsville, Texas, demanding equality of opportunity and justice for Negroes, joined with farm worker's group at Austin, Texas, 9/5/66 where march was terminated at Texas State Capitol. Speeches were made by leaders of marchers and

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U. S. Senator RALPH YARBOROUGH and U. S. Representative HENRY B. GONZALEZ demanding $1.25 per hour minimum wage for farm laborers.

[redacted] CP leader in San Antonio, Texas, was observed in crowd at Austin on 9/5/66.

March terminated without incident.

No further action being taken by San Antonio.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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[redacted] ADVISED 1:15 PM 10-24-66 [redacted]

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FBI SAN ANTON

11040AM CST URGENT 10/24/66 MRH

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO 62-NEW

BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON AND FOLLOWERS, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING. [redacted]

[redacted]

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FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS FURNISHED ABOVE INFORMATION AT TIME INDICATED BY SA [redacted]

AT NINE FIFTYTWO AM., [redacted] ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH INTC, NINE FIFTYFIVE AM., [redacted] UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE, SAN ANTONIO, AND TEN ZERO THREE AM., W. THOMAS BENEDICT, UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE, AUSTIN.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE SAN ANTONIO AIRTEL TO BUREAU SEPT. SEVEN, LAST, IN CASE ENTITLED, "PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FRAM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, JULY FOUR, LAST, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING." BUFILE ONE HUNDRED DASH FOUR FOUR FOUR SEVEN SIXTWO,

END PAGE TWO

SA FILE SIXTYTWO DASH THREE TWO TWO SIX, WHICH SETS OUT BACKGROUND INFORMATION REGARDING THIS SITUATION.

BUREAU WILL BE FURNISHED ANY ADDITIONAL PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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10/25/66

Airtel EX-113 1 - [redacted]

To: SAC, San Antonio REC-44

From: Director, FBI 100-4441 16ct-74

BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE
ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON
AND FOLLOWERS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(SUBVERSIVE CONTROL)

Reurtel dated 10/24/66.

Information in referenced teletype does not warrant dissemination at the Bureau by teletype; therefore, by return mail submit this information in a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination.

ABK:bjr
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NOTE:

At 5:15 a.m. yesterday Eugene Nelson, organizer of the National Farm Workers Association and a group of union members proceeded to the center of International Bridge spanning the Rio Grande River between Roma, Texas, and Ciudad Miguel Aleman, Mexico. They stopped vehicles bearing farm laborers coming to the United States from Mexico to work thereby partially blocking traffic on the bridge. When a Texas Deputy Sheriff attempted to arrest Nelson, he stepped across the boundary into Mexico. Mexican authorities put Nelson back in the United States and he was promptly arrested. Following this ten to 15 members of the organization then lay down on the bridge blocking all traffic. The bridge is owned by the County of Starr, Texas. No United States facility is involved. San Antonio ended the teletype with the code word SUCOP meaning no letterhead memorandum being submitted. They are being instructed as set out above.

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not Serious Injury
M. Briefly advised
5:55 P.M., 10-24-66.
by Sir Miller C. Lord

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FBI SANANTON

1:15 PM CST URGENT 10/24/66 MRH

TO DIRECTOR [redacted]

FROM SAN ANTONIO 62- 3257 (2-P) ATTENTION: INVESTIGATIVE DIVISON

BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON AND FOLLOWERS. MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING.

FIFTEEN STRIKING MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, INCLUDING EUGENE NELSON, ORGANIZER, ARRESTED BY STARR COUNTY SHERIFF'S AND INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE BETWEEN ROMA, TEXAS, AND CIUDAD MIGUEL ALEMAN, MEXICO. CLEARED PRIOR TO ELEVEN AM TODAY. TRAFFIC PROCEEDING NORMALLY.

STRIKERS WERE LYING ON BRIDGE AND REMOVED BODILY BY SHERIFF'S OFFICERS. NO VIOLENCE OCCURRED.

WHILE IN CONTACT WITH AUSA MORT SUSSMAN, SDT, HOUSTON, TEXAS, THIS MATTER DISCUSSED WITH HIM. SUSSMAN ADVISED NO INDICATION FEDERAL VIOLATION UNDER ANTI-RACKETEERING OR OTHER STATUTES IN HIS OPINION AND NO INVESTIGATION BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WARRANTED AS MATTER BEING HANDLED BY STATE AUTHORITIES WHO HAVE SITUATION UNDER CONTROL.

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FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS FURNISHED ABOVE INFORMATION AT TIME INDICATED BY SA. [redacted]

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AT TWENV THIRTYEIGHT PM, [redacted] ONE HUNDRED TWELVTH INTC, TWELVE FORTY PM, [redacted], U. S. SECRET SERVICE, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, AND TWELVE FORTYTHREE PM, [redacted] U. S. SECRET SERVICE, AUSTIN, TEXAS.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE SAN ANTONIO TEL TO BUREAU TEN FORTY AM TODAY. OPINION OF AUSA SUSSMAN BEING CONFIRMED BY LETTER AND NO FURTHER ACTION BEING TAKEN BY SAN ANTONIO.

SUCOP.

ENDGJG

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cc - [redacted]

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FBI

Date: 10/27/66

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3257)(C)

RE: BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON AND FOLLOWERS MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re San Antonio teletypes (2) to Bureau 10/24/66 and Bureau teletype to San Antonio, 10/25/66.

Enclosed herewith for Bureau are ten copies of LHM suitable for appropriate dissemination re above. Dissemination made locally to OSI, ONI, 112th INTC, Secret Service Austin and San Antonio, USA, Houston.

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(1-66-1620)
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Approved: 1968 101
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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

San Antonio, Texas

October 27, 1966

BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE WILSON AND FOLLOWERS

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BLOCKADE [illegible] INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE MILLION AND FOLLOWERS

[redacted]

The Valley Morning Star newspaper on October 26, 1966, indicated that State District Judge Woodrow Laughlin granted a temporary restraining order on October 25, 1966, to keep picketing farm workers from obstructing traffic at the Roma International Bridge.

This article indicated that orderly picketing was resumed at several large farms and packing sheds in Rio Grande City, Texas, but there were no disturbances.

On October 24, 1966, Assistant U. S. Attorney Mort Sussman, Southern District of Texas, Houston, Texas, advised in his opinion there is no indication of a Federal violation in connection with this matter; and no investigation by the Federal Government was warranted inasmuch as the matter is being handled by State authorities who have the situation under control.

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Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 10/31/66

San Antonio advised previously that 15 striking members of National Farmers Workers Association had been lying on International Bridge between Roma, Texas and Cuidad Miguel Aleman, Mexico, and had been bodily removed by Starr County, Texas, Sheriff's Office.

The U. S. Attorney's Office in Houston advised that there is no indication of a Federal violation in connection with this activity.

Information in attached will be furnished to the Civil Rights and Internal Security Divisions of the Department.

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519-PM URGENT 10/31/66 EGL

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3257) 1P

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELS[redacted] AND FOLLOWERS. MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING. [redacted]

REFERENCE TELETYPE

~~RE~~ SAN ANTONIO ~~TEL~~ OCTOBER TWO FOUR LAST.

[redacted], RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS TODAY ADVISED AT APPROXIMATELY FIVE A. M., OCTOBER THIRTYONE INSTANT, GILBERT CAMPOS, MARSHALL MENDEZ, AND ANTHONY ORENDAIN CLOSED AND LOCKED STEEL GATE IN CENTER OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE BETWEEN ROMA, TEXAS, AND CIUDAD MIGUEL ALEMAN, MEXICO, IN EFFORT TO PREVENT PASSAGE OF MEXICAN FARM WORKERS TO THE UNITED STATES.

ALL THREE ARRESTED BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES AND CURRENTLY IN JAIL IN CIUDAD MIGUEL ALEMAN.

[redacted] 62-44762-E6

STATED HE HAD TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED CONGRESSMAN KIKA DE LA GARZA WHO HAD INFORMED HIM THAT W. E. B. DUBOIS CLUBS IS COMMUNIST ORGANIZATION.

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CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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FBI

Date: 11/2/66

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3257) (P)

RE: BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON AND FOLLOWERS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re San Antonio airtel to Bureau, 11/1/66.

Enclosed are ten copies of LHM relative to captioned matter. Two copies each are being furnished to Houston and Los Angeles.

Copies are being disseminated locally to Secret Service, San Antonio; Secret Service, Austin; 112th INTC; ONI; and OSI.

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San Antonio, Texas
November 2, 1966

BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE,
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Date: 11/18/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-NEW) (RUC)

RE: BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON AND FOLLOWERS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re: San Antonio airtel to Bureau, 11/1/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination, one copy of which is being furnished to Houston Division for information. Six copies of attached LHM are being furnished to San Antonio Division for dissemination to Secret Service, San Antonio; 112th INTC; ONI; and OSI.

For the information of the San Antonio Division, ANTHONY ORENDAIN has never been the subject of an SM - C investigation of the Los Angeles Division, and in the absence of any subversive information indicating such activity on his part, no investigation is being conducted concerning him. However, in keeping with the request of the San Antonio Division, information concerning ORENDAIN is being set forth by LHM as of possible intelligence interest to local military agencies, San Antonio area.

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DATE [illegible] 11/22/66
NOW FOR [illegible]
BY [illegible]

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California
November 18, 1966

BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON AND FOLLOWERS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to San Antonio, Texas memorandum dated November 1, 1966, captioned as above, which reflects in part that one Anthony Orendain, together with Gilbert Campos and Marshall Mendez, at 5:00 a.m. on October 31, 1966, closed and locked a steel gate in the center of the International Bridge between Roma, Texas and Ciudad Miguel Aleman, Mexico in an effort to prevent passage of Mexican farm workers into the United States. This action caused the arrest of the foregoing individuals by Mexican authorities and they were jailed in Ciudad Miguel Aleman, Mexico.

On February 16, 1966, [redacted] furnished background information concerning strike activity on the part of the National Farm Workers Association, Delano, California. The National Farm Workers Association is a labor union with headquarters at 102 Albany Street, Delano, California and was organized October 15, 1963 as a non-profit organization under the California State law. Anthony Orendain was named as Chairman of the Credit Committee of the National Farm Workers Association at the date of organization (October 15, 1963). At that time, his address was given as 1216 - 11th Avenue, Hanford, California. No other information identifiable with Orendain is contained in the files of the Los Angeles Division of the FBI.

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PM CST URGENT 11-25-66 VMO

TO DIRECTOR, AND HOUSTON

FROM SAN ANTONIO 62-NEW

THANKSGIVING CARAVAN FOR "LA HUELGA", NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR DASH TWENTYSEVEN, SIXTYSIX. MISCELLANEOUS DASH INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE SAN ANTONIO AIRTEL TO BUREAU SEPTEMBER SEVEN LAST CAPTIONED PROPOSED MARCH FROM RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, BY MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION AND FROM RIO GRANDE CITY TO SAN JUAN, TEXAS, JULY FOUR, SIXTY-SIX. MISCELLANEOUS DASH INFORMATION CONCERNING, BUFILE ONE HUNDRED DASH FOUR FOUR FOUR SEVEN SIX TWO. REC 46 100-444762-11

TODAY [redacted] NOV 28 1966

[redacted] ADVISED THAT RALLY SPONSORED BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO DRAMATIZE SUPPORT FOR STRIKERS IN RIO GRANDE CITY COMMENCED TODAY AT APPROXIMATELY TEN THIRTY AM AT THE ALAMO IN SAN ANTONIO. AMONG THOSE KNOWN TO BE PARTICIPATING IS EUGENE NELSON, LEADER IN RIO GRANDE CITY FARM WORKERS STRIKE. NO INCIDENTS THUS FAR.

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END PAGE ONE JAN 1 1967

AT TEN THIRTYFIVE AM [redacted] U. S. SECRET SERVICE, SAN ANTONIO, AND AT TEN FORTYFOUR AM, [redacted], ONE ONE TWELVE INTC, ADVISED BY SA [redacted] AND AT ELEVEN TWENTYSIX AM [redacted], U. S. SECRET SERVICE, AUSTIN, TEXAS, ADVISED BY SA [redacted]

LHM FOLLOWS.

END

GTMA

FBI WASH DC

November 28, 1966

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URGENT

1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. [redacted]
1 [redacted]
1 [redacted]
1 [redacted]

TO: SAC, SAN ANTONIO

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI

BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON AND FOLLOWERS, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING.

REURTEL NOVEMBER TWENTY-EIGHT ONE NINE SIX SIX.

SAN ANTONIO DISCREETLY ASCERTAIN WHETHER LABOR DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE TAKING AFFIDAVITS AS STATED AND IF SO WHETHER LABOR DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATOR ASSISTING AND POSSIBLY MISTAKEN AS BUREAU AGENT.

SUTEL.

NOTE:

For the past several months members of the National Farm Workers Association under leadership of Eugene Nelson, have been demonstrating for minimum wages. In one instance the demonstrators bodily blocked the International Bridge between Roma, Texas, and Mexico. The Bureau has conducted no previous investigation concerning the group.

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5-113a (10-29-65)

Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 11/28/66

For the past several months members of the National Farm Workers Association, under the leadership of Eugene Nelson, have been demonstrating for minimum wages. In one instance the demonstrators bodily blocked the International Bridge between Roma, Texas and Mexico. The Bureau has conducted no previous investigation concerning the group.

On the basis of information in attached, San Antonio has been instructed to discreetly ascertain whether the Labor Department has a representative taking affidavits, as indicated in attached, and if so whether a Labor Department investigator is assisting and possibly has been mistaken for a Bureau Agent.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3257)

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION TEXAS
BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON [redacted]
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION
AND FOLLOWERS. MISC. INFO CONCERNING.

REFERENCE
~~RE~~ SAN ANTONIO AIRTEL NOV. TWO LAST.

TODAY'S ISSUE SAN ANTONIO LIGHT, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, CARRIED [redacted]
UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL
FOLLOWING ~~UPI~~ ARTICLE DATELINED RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, UNDER [redacted]
HEADLINE "FBI CHECK."

"AN FBI AGENT AND A U. S. LABOR DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE HAVE BEEN TAKING AFFIDAVITS FROM PEOPLE WHO CONTEND THEY HAVE BEEN PERSECUTED FOR EFFORTS TO GET A ONE DOLLAR TWENTYFIVE CENT HOURLY WAGE MINIMUM FOR RIO GRANDE VALLEY FARM WORKERS.

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"HENRY MUNOZ, DIRECTOR OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR THE TEXAS AFL-CIO, URGED PERSONS TO REPORT SUCH ABUSES IF ANY HAVE OCCURED.

ABOVE BEING FURNISHED BUREAU FOR INFO IN EVENT INQUIRIES RECEIVED. NO SUCH INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED BY SAN ANTONIO. [redacted]

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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11 9:01 AM CST URGENT 11-29-66 VMO

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO 62-3257 NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION [redacted]

BLOCKADE OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ROMA, TEXAS, BY EUGENE NELSON AND FOLLOWERS, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING.

REBUTEL NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT LAST.

[redacted], ADVISED TODAY [redacted], REPRESENTATIVE OF DEPARTMENT OF LABOR IN WASHINGTON, D. C., AND ONE OTHER DEPARTMENT OF LABOR REPRESENTATIVE, NAME NOT RECALLED, WERE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO LAST CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION RELATIVE TO STRIKING FARM WORKERS. [redacted]

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Date: 11/25/66

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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3266) (C)

SUBJECT: THANKSGIVING CARAVAN FOR "LA HUELGA"
11/24 - 27/66
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Re San Antonio teletype to Bureau and Houston, 11/25/66.

Enclosed to the Bureau are five copies of LHM suitable for dissemination. One copy is being furnished Houston for their information.

Copies of LHM also being furnished to Secret Service, San Antonio; Secret Service, Austin; 112th INTC; ONI; OSI.

No further action being taken by San Antonio and no further communication being furnished. San Antonio is remaining alert and if any significant pertinent information is obtained regarding this caravan, the Bureau will be advised.

Sources mentioned in LHM are [redacted] and [redacted] who were present during the demonstration at the Alamo.

3-Bureau (Enc. 5)
1-Houston (Enc. 1) (Info)
4-San Antonio
(2 - 62-3266)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Antonio, Texas

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

November 25, 1966

THANKSGIVING CARAVAN FOR "LA HUELGA"
November 24 - 27, 1966

On November 25, 1966, Officer [redacted] advised that a rally sponsored by United Farm Workers, Rio Grande City, Texas, to dramatize support for strikers in Rio Grande City, commenced at the Alamo at San Antonio, Texas, at approximately 10:30 AM.

Among those known to have participated in the demonstration was EUGENE NELSON, leader in Rio Grande City of the farm workers' strike.

There were approximately 100 participants in the demonstration. The participants heard speakers requesting food and money for the strikers in Rio Grande City.

During the speeches, the following literature was distributed:

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THANKSGIVING

CARAVAN

for "LA HUELGA"

Nov. 24-27

Photo by The Southern Digest

This is what dignity means.

The Caravan will be led by a migrant truck bearing the flag of the farm worker. It has a two-fold purpose— to dramatize support for La Huelga and to take food and money to the strikers in Rio Grande City. Join with your truck or car in Austin or at one of the stops. Bring non-per-

SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Thanksgiving Food Rally in Austin

6:00 a.m.—Leave Austin
7:00 a.m.—San Marcos
9:00 a.m.—New Braunfels
10:30 a.m.—San Antonio
12:30 p.m.—Floresville
4:00 p.m.—Beeville (overnight)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

7:30 a.m.—Mathis
10:00 a.m.—Corpus Christi
1:00 p.m.—Robstown
2:00 p.m.—Kingsville
3:15 p.m.—Premont
4:00 p.m.—Falfurrias
5:30 p.m.—Raymondville
7:00 p.m.—San Juan (overnight)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

7:30 a.m.—Edinburg
8:00 a.m.—McAllen
8:30 a.m.—Mission
11:00 a.m.—Fiesta in Rio Grande City

Shel Hershorn

Only a beginning.

Write: REV. LEO NIETO
Texas Council of Churches
1400 Guadalupe
Austin, Texas
or send contributions to:
United Farm Workers

"Y nosotros protestamos el derecho de comer . . . " son palabras de una cancion escrita por dos huelguistas de Rio Grande City.

Se necesita ser hombre para ser piquete de vigilancia y para ser encarcelado con el estomago vacio. Es duro meterse en la huelga cuando todos los de la familia tienen hambre.

La Huelga no debe morir. La voz del huelguista se debe escuchar. Pero se necesita alimentos y dinero. Se necesita su ayuda.

"And we protest for the right to eat . . . " are words from a song written by two striking farm workers in Rio Grande City.

It takes guts to picket, to be thrown in jail, on an empty stomach. It's hard to stay on strike when your family is hungry.

La Huelga cannot die. The farm worker must be heard. But he needs food and money. He needs your support.

THANKSGIVING CARAVAN FOR
"LA HUELGA", November 24 - 27, 1966

At 10:35 AM, November 25, 1966, [redacted] U. S. Secret Service, San Antonio, and at 10:44 AM, November 25, 1966, [redacted] 112th INTC, was furnished above information by Special Agent [redacted] At 11:26 AM, November 25, 1966, [redacted] Agent in Charge, U. S. Secret Service, Austin, Texas, was advised by Special Agent [redacted]

On November 25, 1966, [redacted], advised that the demonstration lasted from 10:30 AM until 11:30 AM. He stated that he was present throughout the demonstration and there were no incidents. He stated that speakers were requesting money and food for the strikers in Rio Grande City and that a truck was parked near the Alamo collecting various items.

Sources who possess a comprehensive knowledge of the subversive element and organizations in the San Antonio, Texas, area, advised that they did not observe any subversives taking part in the demonstration.

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FBI-HOUSTON

1205AM URGENT 12-16-66 LXS

TO DIRECTOR

FROM HOUSTON (62-2417) 2P

[redacted]

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION CARAVAN, HOUSTON, TEXAS, TO RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, DEC. SEVENTEEN, EIGHTEEN, NINETEEN NEXT, MISCELLANEOUS - INFO CONCERNING (SUBVERSIVE CONTROL) OO: SA.

[redacted]

RE HOUSTON AIRTEL TO BUREAU DEC. FIFTEEN LAST.

REAIRTEL SET FORTH THREE DAY ITINERARY FOR CAPTIONED ACTIVITY.

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SOURCE FURNISHING INFORMATION IN LHM ENCLOSURE TO REAIRTEL ADVISED DEC. SIXTEEN INSTANT REVISED DETAILS AND ITINERARY; THAT THERE WILL BE TWO AUTOMOBILE CARAVANS AT OUTSET, ONE STARTING HOUSTON AND ONE AUSTIN, TEXAS. PURPOSE OF CARAVANS TO RAISE MONEY, FOOD, ASSISTANCE FOR RIO GRANDE VALLEY FARM WORKERS ENGAGED IN STRIKE.

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HOUSTON CARAVAN FORMS SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL SEVEN A.M., DEC. SEVENTEEN NEXT, PROCEEDS TO VICTORIA, TEXAS, WHERE PROBABLE RALLY TWELVE THIRTY P.M. AT LADY OF SORROWS

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CHURCH; PROCEEDS TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, WHERE WILL BE AT STEEL WORKERS HALL, TWO THREE TWO FIVE AGNES.

AUSTIN GROUP FORMS AT STATE CAPITOL DEC. SEVENTEEN NEXT AND DEPARTS NINE A.M., FOR SAN ANTONIO WHERE RALLY TO BE HELD CASSIANO PARK TWELVE NOON, PROCEEDS THEN TO BEEVILLE, TEXAS, WHERE RALLY TO BE AT ST. JAMES PARISH HALL THREE THIRTY P.M.; THEN TO CORPUS CHRISTI TO BE AT STEELWORKERS HALL SEVEN P.M.

ON DEC. EIGHTEEN NEXT BOTH GROUPS COMBINED WILL DEPART CORPUS CHRISTI TO BE IN KINGSVILLE, TEXAS, EIGHT THIRTY A.M., FOR RALLY AT ST. MARTIN'S SCHOOL, THREE ZERO ZERO ELLA; THEN TO WESLACO FOR RALLY AT COURTHOUSE TWELVE THIRTY P.M.; THEN TO RIO GRANDE CITY TO ARRIVE THREE P.M.

HOUSTON AND SAN ANTONIO WILL CHECK DEPARTURE TO OBSERVE IF ANY COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OR CONTROL OF THIS ACTIVITY.

ABOVE FURNISHED TO SAN ANTONIO TELEPHONICALLY.

~~E TIME SHD READ 1205 P.M. END~~

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FBI SANANTON

144PM CST URGENT 12/16/66 MRH

TO DIRECTOR AND HOUSTON

FROM SAN ANTONIO 62-3271

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION CARAVAN, HOUSTON, TEXAS, TO RIO GRANDE CITY, DECEMBER SEVENTEEN, EIGHTEEN, [redacted] AND NINETEEN, SIXTYSIX. MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING [redacted] SUBVERSIVE CONTROL.

RE SAN ANTONIO HOUSTON AIRTEL TO BUREAU DECEMBER FIFTEEN LAST AND HOUSTON TEL TO BUREAU DECEMBER SIXTEEN INSTANT.

SAN ANTONIO IS AWARE OF CAPTIONED ACTIVITY THROUGH NEWS MEDIA AND SOURCES. THIS ACTIVITY IS IN CONNECTION WITH CONTINUING PROGRAMS REGARDING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE VALLEY. CAPTIONED ACTIVITY NOT DOMINATED OR INFLUENCED BY SUBVERSIVE ELEMENTS. IN FACT, [redacted] CHAIRMAN, CP OF TEXAS, IS ACTUALLY AGAINST CARAVAN. INASMUCH AS THIS ACTIVITY APPEARS TO BE PART OF LEGITIMATE LABOR MATTER INVOLVING A UNION, SAN ANTONIO TAKING NO ACTION. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED ONLY OF ANY INCIDENTS.

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530 PM URGENT 12-17-66 HRF

TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO (100-42662)

FEDERAL ... COMMUNICATIONS ... DEC 17 1966 TELETYPE

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA), DEMONSTRATION AT ZIMMERMANN LIQUOR STORE, RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, DECEMBER SEVENTEEN, INSTANT, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

[redacted]

RE CHICAGO AIRTEL, MAY TWENTY SIX, LAST, CAPTIONED "NFWA SYMPATHY DEMONSTRATION AT S&W FOOD COMPANY, THREE THREE FIVE ZERO NORTH KEDIZE AVENUE, CHICAGO, MAY TWENTY THREE, LAST, IN SUPPORT OF STRIKING DELANO, CALIFORNIA, MIGRANT GRAPE PICKERS."

[redacted]

ADVISED TODAY EIGHT PICKETS LED BY GENARO LARA, REPRESENTATIVE, NFWA, ONE THREE ZERO ZERO SOUTH WABASH, CHICAGO, PICKETED ZIMMERMANN LIQUOR STORE PROTESTING STORE'S SALE OF WINES DISTRIBUTED BY CALIFORNIA WINE ASSOCIATION (CWA), DELANO, CALIFORNIA. LARA REQUESTED MANAGER ZIMMERMANN TO SIGN PETITION STATING HE WOULD NOT BUY FURTHER WINES FROM CWA,

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Date: 12/15/66

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (62-New) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION CARAVAN, HOUSTON, TEXAS, TO RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, 12/17, 18, 19/66
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
(SUBVERSIVE CONTROL)
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Agency G-2 ONI CSI CRD

Date Forw. DEC 19 1966

How Forw. RS

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of letterhead memorandum captioned as above which is self-explanatory. Enclosed for San Antonio are six (6) copies of letterhead memorandum to permit dissemination to appropriate agencies in San Antonio.

Houston furnishing one (1) copy each of letterhead memorandum locally to ICG, ONI, OSI, and Secret Service.

Source referred to in this letterhead memorandum is [redacted] who requested his identity be protected.

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SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

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Will, through sources, follow activity described in enclosed letterhead memorandum and any information developed which reflects communist infiltration.

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3 - Bureau (Encl. 8) (AM)(RM)
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or control should be furnished the Bureau, interested agencies, and offices in form suitable for dssemination.

HOUSTON DIVISION

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Houston, Texas

December 15, 1966

National Farm Workers
Association Caravan,
Houston, Texas, to
Rio Grande City, Texas,
December 17, 18, 19, 1966

On December 15, 1966, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised he had received information from a source that he considers reliable that the National Farm Workers Association was planning an automobile caravan in behalf of the Valley Workers in the vicinity of Rio Grande City, Texas, which was to form on December 17, 1966, at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Houston, Texas. This caravan is scheduled to depart at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 17, 1966, and proceed from Houston to Victoria, Texas, thence to Corpus Christi, Texas, and finally to Austin, Texas, where participants are scheduled to stay overnight.

On December 18, 1966, the caravan is scheduled to resume travel from Austin to San Antonio, Texas, thence to Beeville, Texas, and thereafter to Corpus Christi, Texas. Luncheon is allegedly scheduled for the group at the Steel Workers' Hall in Corpus Christi on that date.

On December 19, 1966, the caravan is scheduled to proceed from Corpus Christi to Kingsville, Texas, where luncheon is scheduled to be provided for the participants at St. Martins School.

From Kingsville, the caravan will proceed to Weslaco, Texas, and thence to Rio Grande City.

Source stated this caravan was presumably to focus attention upon the Valley Worker and to seek aid and support

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Re: National Farm Workers
Association Caravan

for the Valley Workers who have been attempting to obtain an increase in pay in the Rio Grande City area. Source had no information as to the size of this caravan or specific details. Source had no information reflecting there would be participation by subversive groups or individuals.

Source noted that the itinerary for this caravan appears circuitous but it is set forth in the way it was indicated to him.

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FBI CHICAGO
332PM URGENT 12/24/66 JLS
TO DIRECTOR
FROM CHICAGO (100-42662) 1P

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA), DEMONSTRATION AT ZIMMERMANN LIQUOR STORE, RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, DECEMBER TWENTY FOUR INSTANT, INFORMATION CONCERNING.

REMYTEL DECEMBER TWENTY THREE LAST.

[redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED DECEMBER TWENTY FOUR INSTANT THAT THERE WERE TWO PICKETS OF THE NFWA WHO DEMONSTRATED AT ZIMMERMANN'S LIQUOR STORE FROM ELEVEN AM TO ONE THIRTY PM INSTANT. DEMONSTRATORS CARRIED SIGNS PROTESTING STORE'S SALE OF WINES DISTRIBUTED BY CALIFORNIA WINE ASSOCIATION, DELANO, CALIFORNIA. PICKETING PEACEFUL, NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS.

USA, SS AND MILITARY ADVISED. LHM FOLLOWS.

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Date: 12/19/66

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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS' ASSOCIATION (NFWA), DEMONSTRATION AT ZIMMERMANN LIQUOR STORE, RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS, 12/17/66 INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Re Chicago teletype to the Bureau 12/17/66; Chicago airtel to the Bureau 5/26/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

Enclosed for Los Angeles is 1 copy of a letterhead memorandum for information.

A copy of this letterhead memorandum is being furnished USA, Chicago.

3 - Bureau (Enc. 11)
1 - Los Angeles (100-67449) (Enc. 1) (Info)
2 - Chicago
(1 - 157-413)
ARS:jep

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Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

100-42662

Chicago, Illinois
December 19, 1966

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS' ASSOCIATION (NFWA), DEMONSTRATION AT ZIMMERMANN LIQUOR STORE, RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS, DECEMBER 17, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On December 17, 1966, [redacted], advised that eight pickets led by Genaro Lara, a representative of the National Farm Workers' Association (NFWA), 1300 South Wabash, Chicago, picketed Zimmermann's Cut-Rate Liquor Store, Incorporated, 240 West Randolph, protesting the store's sale of wine distributed by the California Wine Association (CWA), Delano, California.

Lara (records of the Chicago Office contain no information identifiable with Lara) requested the store manager to sign a petition agreeing to no longer purchase wines from CWA. The manager refused.

The pickets carried signs such as "Farm Workers' denied bargaining rights" and "Farm Workers' made to unionize." The demonstration commenced at approximately 10 a.m. on December 17, 1966, and ended at 3 p.m. The demonstration was peaceful and no arrests were made.

The following individuals were advised on December 17, 1966, of the above:

Mr. N. M. Karzen, Assistant United States Attorney; [redacted] U.S. Secret Service, both at Chicago; and [redacted] 113th MI Group, at Evanston.

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FBI CHICAGO

633PM URGENT 12-23-66 RMF

TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO /100-42662/ /P/

[redacted]

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION /NFWA/, DEMONSTRATION SCHEDULED [redacted] ZIMMERMAN'S LIQUOR STORE, TWO FOUR ZERO WEST RANDOLPH STREET, CHICAGO, DECEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SIXTY SIX. INFORMATION CONCERNING.

[redacted]

RE CHICAGO AIRTEL DECEMBER NINETEEN LAST.

[redacted]

ADVISED TODAY CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION LED BY GENARO LARA, ILL [redacted] REPRESENTATIVE, NFWA, AND OBED LOPEZ, ILL WHO HAS RECORD FOR EXCITING PEOPLE ON WEST SIDE, PLAN TO PICKET CAPTIONED STORE DECEMBER TWENTY FOUR NEXT, COMMENCING TEN A.M. /LARA LED SIMILAR DEMONSTRATION DECEMBER SEVENTEEN LAST. CHICAGO INDICES NEGATIVE OTHERWISE. [redacted]

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12 DEC 28 1966

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cc - Knickerbocker

PURPOSE OF DEMONSTRATION IS SYMPATHY SUPPORT FOR STRIKING DELANO, CALIFORNIA MIGRANT GRAPE PICKERS. DEMONSTRATION CONDUCTED WEEKEND LAST PROTESTED STORE'S SALE OF WINES DISTRIBUTED BY CALIFORNIA WINE ASSOCIATION IN DELANO.

[redacted] ADVISED LARA IS ALLEGED TO HAVE STATED THAT IF NFWA DEMANDS NOT MET BY STORE, DEMONSTRATORS PLAN TO BREAK STORE WINDOWS.

NFWA ATTEMPTING TO SOLICIT OTHER ORGANIZATIONS TO AID IN BOYCOTT AND DEMONSTRATION.

CHICAGO PD WILL COVER THIS DEMONSTRATION. CHICAGO FOLLOWING.

MILITARY, SECRET SERVICE, USA ADVISED. LHM FOLLOWS.

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Date: 12/27/66

Agency G-2, ONI, OSI, CRIS, CI

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Date Forw. DEC 30 1966

Via AIRTEL

How Forw. R/S

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[redacted]

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA)
DEMONSTRATION AT ZIMMERMANN'S LIQUOR STORE, RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS, 12/24/66
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Chicago airtel to the Bureau dated 12/19/66, Chicago teletype to the Bureau dated 12/23/66, and Chicago teletype to the Bureau dated 12/24/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eleven (11) copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

An information copy of the letterhead memorandum is enclosed for the Los Angeles Office. A copy of the letterhead memorandum is being furnished to the United States Attorney, Chicago.

[redacted]

The first source utilized in the letterhead memorandum is [redacted] second source is [redacted] third source is [redacted]

Chicago is following this matter and will furnish all pertinent details to the Bureau.

ENCLOSURE

3 - Bureau (Enc. 11) (RM)
1 - Los Angeles (100-67449) (Enc. 1) (INFO) (RM)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

CG 100-42662

Chicago, Illinois
December 27, 1966

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA)
DEMONSTRATION AT ZIMMERMANN'S LIQUOR STORE,
RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS, DECEMBER 24, 1966
INFORMATION CONCERNING

A source of the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), [redacted] advised on December 23, 1966, that the NFWA, led by Genaro Lara, representative of the NFWA, and Obed Lopez Zacarias, who has a record for inciting people on the west side of Chicago, plans to picket Zimmermann's Liquor Store, 240 West Randolph Street, Chicago, on December 24, 1966, commencing at 10:00 AM.

The purpose of the demonstration is to get sympathy support for striking Delano, California, migrant grape pickers. A demonstration conducted on December 17, 1966, protested the store's sale of wines distributed by the California Wine Association in Delano.

The source stated that Lara allegedly made a statement that if the NFWA demands were not met by the store, the demonstrators plan to break store windows. The source advised that the NFWA is attempting to solicit other organizations to aid in the boycott and demonstration.

On December 24, 1966, [redacted], advised that there were two pickets of the NFWA who demonstrated at Zimmermann's Liquor Store from 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM on December 24, 1966. The demonstrators carried signs protesting the store's sale of wines distributed by the California Wine Association, Delano, California. The picketing was peaceful and no arrests were made.

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RE: NPWA, DEMONSTRATION AT ZIMMERMANN'S LIQUOR STORE, RANDOLPH AND FRANKLIN STREETS, DECEMBER 24, 1966

Genaro Lara led a similar demonstration on December 17, 1966.

[redacted]

The above information was furnished to the following individuals on December 24, 1966:

Robert T. Sikes
Assistant United States Attorney, Chicago

[redacted]
United States Secret Service, Chicago

[redacted]
113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois

Sources utilized in characterizing organizations appearing in the appendix section have furnished reliable information in the past.

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APPENDIX

FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE

The April 6, 1960, edition of "The New York Times" newspaper contained a full-page advertisement captioned "What Is Really Happening in Cuba," placed by the Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC). This advertisement announced the formation of the FPCC in New York City and declared the FPCC intended to promulgate "the truth about revolutionary Cuba" to neutralize the distorted American press.

"The New York Times" edition of January 11, 1961, reported that at a hearing conducted before the United States Senate Internal Security Subcommittee on January 10, 1961, Dr. CHARLES A. SANTOS-BUCH identified himself and ROBERT TABER as organizers of the FPCC. He also testified he and TABER obtained funds from the Cuban Government which were applied toward the cost of the aforementioned advertisement.

On May 16, 1963, a source advised that during the first two years of the FPCC's existence there was a struggle between Communist Party (CP) and Socialist Workers Party (SWP) elements to exert their power within the FPCC and thereby influence FPCC policy. This source added that during the past year there had been a successful effort by FPCC leadership to minimize the role of these and other organizations in the FPCC so that their influence as of May, 1963, was negligible.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On May 20, 1963, a second source advised that VINCENT "TED" LEE, FPCC National Office Director, was then formulating FPCC policy and had indicated that he had no intention of permitting FPCC policy to be determined by any other organization. This source stated that LEE believed that the FPCC should advocate resumption of diplomatic relations between Cuba and the United States and should support the right of Cubans to manage their revolution without interference from other nations. LEE did not advocate supporting the Cuban revolution per se.

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The November 23, 1963, edition of "The New York Times" reported that Senator THOMAS J. DODD of Connecticut had called FPCC "the chief public relations instrument of the Castro network in the United States." It is to be noted that Senator DODD was a member of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee which twice conducted hearings on the FPCC.

The December 27, 1963, edition of "The New York World Telegram and Sun" newspaper stated that the pro-CASTRO FPCC was seeking to go out of business and that its prime activity during its lifetime had been sponsorship of pro-CASTRO street rallies and mass picket lines, and the direction of an active propaganda mill highlighting illegal travel-to-Cuba campaigns. Its comparatively brief span of life was attributed to mounting anti-CASTRO American public opinion, the 1962 Congressional hearings which disclosed FPCC financing by CASTRO's United Nations Delegation, and ultimately, the bad publicity which the FPCC received from disclosure of activities on its behalf by suspected presidential assassin LEE H. OSWALD.

On February 6, 1964, the previously mentioned second source advised that V. T. LEE had recently remarked that the FPCC was dead and that there were no plans to organize another similar organization.

On April 13, 1964, a third source advised that there had not been any FPCC activity in many months and that the FPCC had been dissolved.

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APPENDIX

FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE, CHICAGO CHAPTER

A source advised in October, 1960, that the Chicago Chapter of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC) was formed during the summer of 1960 at Chicago, Illinois, under the direct guidance and leadership of RICHARD CRILEY, a member of the State Committee, Communist Party (CP) of Illinois.

A second source in August, 1960, furnished a leaflet entitled, "What Is Really Happening in Cuba?" distributed by the FPCC in Chicago. The aims and purposes of the FPCC as set forth in this leaflet include the following: "To disseminate the truth, to combat untruth; to publish and distribute factual information which the United States mass media suppresses. In general, to contribute to foundations for peace, friendship, and understanding between ourselves and the Cuban people." The leaflet reflects the FPCC plans to accomplish these aims: "By mailing of informational bulletins; organizing public meetings and forums; providing speakers, movies, and slides for meetings of interested organizations, placing ads in newspapers; to visit Cuba and see for themselves what conditions really are."

A third source advised on March 9, 1964, that there has been no activity of the FPCC in Chicago since late November, 1963, and for all intents and purposes the organization is defunct.

The mailing address for the FPCC, Chicago Chapter, is Post Office Box 4474, Chicago 80, Illinois.

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Date: 12/24/66

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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3271) (C)

RE: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION CARAVAN, HOUSTON, TEXAS, TO RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS DECEMBER 17, 18, 19, 1966 MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING (SUBVERSIVE CONTROL)

[redacted]

OO: SAN ANTONIO

Re San Antonio Teletype to Bureau 12/16/66.

Caravan arrived Rio Grande City as scheduled. In view of fact no pertinent information obtained, no LHM being submitted and case being closed.

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FBI

Date: 1/23/67

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA) DEMONSTRATION AT PARKWAY LIQUOR, 52 WEST DIVISION STREET, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, 1/21/67 INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Chicago teletype to Bureau dated 1/21/67, and Chicago airtel to Bureau 12/19/66, captioned "National Farm Workers Association (NFWA), Demonstration at Zimmermann Liquor Store, Randolph and Franklin Streets, 12/17/66, Information Concerning."

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of Letterhead Memorandum (LHM) dated and captioned as above.

Enclosed for Los Angeles is one copy of a LHM for information.

A copy of this LHM is being furnished USA, Chicago.

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Date Forw. JAN 25 1967

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. Chicago 100-42662

Chicago, Illinois
January 23, 1967

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA), DEMONSTRATION AT PARKWAY LIQUOR, 52 WEST DIVISION STREET, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, JANUARY 21, 1967 INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to Chicago memorandum dated December 19, 1966, captioned "National Farm Workers Association (NFWA), Demonstration at Zimmermann Liquor Store, Randolph and Franklin Streets, December 17, 1966, Information Concerning."

On January 21, 1967, [redacted] advised that ten individuals peacefully demonstrated before the Parkway Liquor Store, 52 West Division Street, Chicago, protesting the store's sale of wines distributed by Perelli Minetti Company, Delano, California.

Leaflets were distributed by the pickets reflecting previous demonstrations by the National Farm Workers against the Schenley Company and Di Giorgio Company, both of California, which resulted in better treatment for farm workers and the belief being that this demonstration could also accomplish better working conditions for farm workers associated with Perelli Minetti Company, Delano, California.

Picketing commenced at 11:30 a.m. and terminated at 1:30 p.m. with no incidents noted or arrests being made.

The following individuals were advised on January 21, 1967, of the above:

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
(NFWA), DEMONSTRATION AT PARKWAY
LIQUOR, 52 WEST DIVISION STREET,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, JANUARY 21, 1967

Co-ordinator [redacted] 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois;

[redacted], United States Secret Service, Chicago, Illinois;

Mr. Samuel J. Betar, Jr., Assistant United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois.

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750 PM URGENT 2/1/67 EGL

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) 2-P

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS. MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING.

[redacted]

TODAY, [redacted] ADVISED AS FOLLOWS: THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ARRESTED BY STARR COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ABOUT TWO FIFTEEN P.M. THIS DATE AND CHARGED WITH DISTURBING THE PEACE AFTER THEY ENTERED PREMISES OF LA CASITA FARMS, RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TO HECKLE NON-UNION WORKERS IN FIELDS: FATHER SHERILL SMITH, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, CATHOLIC PRIEST; FATHER WILLIAM KILLIAN, SAN ANTONIO CATHOLIC PRIEST; FATHER HARRY W. HAYES, SAN ANTONIO CATHOLIC PRIEST; FATHER D. J. HEFFERMAN, SAN ANTONIO CATHOLIC PRIEST; CHARLES SMITH, AUSTIN, TEXAS; ISMAEL DIAZ, RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS; GREGORIA SOLIS (FEMALE), RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS; NENONAR GARZA (FEMALE), RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS; ANTHONY ORENDAIN, AKA TONY - AN OFFICIAL OF THE NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,

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RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS; AND DELANO, CALIFORNIA; BENJAMIN RODRIGUEZ, AKA BENITO RODRIGUEZ, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. ALL ABOVE RELEASED ON ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS PERSONAL RECOGNIZANCE BOND SHORTLY AFTER ARRESTED ON FEBRUARY ONE, INSTANT.

FOR INFO OF BUREAU, CHARLES SMITH, AUSTIN, TEXAS, PROBABLY IDENTICAL WITH CHARLES MC KINLEY SMITH, [redacted]

THIS ACTIVITY IS IN CONNECTION WITH CONTINUING PROGRAMS REGARDING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE VALLEY. INASMUCH AS THIS APPEARS TO BE PART OF A LEGITIMATE LABOR DISPUTE INVOLVING A UNION, SAN ANTONIO IS TAKING NO ACTION

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1045AM CST URGENT 2/2/67 MRH

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO 62-3269 Internal Security

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS. MISCELLANEOUS - INFO. CONCERNING.

REMYTEL FEB. ONE, LAST.

[redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED TODAY AFTER RECHECKING RECORDS CHARLES SMITH OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, WAS NOT AMONG THE TEN PERSONS ARRESTED FEB. ONE, LAST, AND WAS NOT IN THE AREA TO HIS KNOWLEDGE.

CORRECTED LIST OF THOSE ARRESTED: FATHER SHERRILL SMITH, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; FATHER WILLIAM KILLIAN, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; FATHER MARVIN DOERFLER, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; FATHER D. J. HEFFERNAN, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; FATHER HENRY WILLIAM HAYES, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; ANTHONY ORENDAIN, AKA. TONY, UNITED FARM WORKERS UNION, /UFW/ SECRETARY; BENJAMIN RODRIGUEZ, AKA BENITO RODRIGUEZ, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS; AND RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS AND UFW MEMBER; ISMAEL DIAZ,

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RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS; GREGORIA SOLIS, RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS; LEONOR GARZA, RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

ABOVE BEING SUBMITTED FOR INFO. OF BUREAU.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO 62-3269

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, MISCELLANEOUS - INFO . CONCERNING.

TODAY SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT VALLEY WORKERS ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE LED BY ERNIE CORTEZ WILL ASSEMBLE AT THE CRISTO REY CHURCH, TWO ONE ZERO NINE EAST SECOND ST., AUSTIN, TEXAS, AT FIVE PM TODAY. GROUP EXPECTS FROM FIVE HUNDRED TO ONE THOUSAND PEOPLE TO MARCH FROM THE CHURCH TO THE TEXAS STATE CAPITOL GROUNDS WHERE THEY WILL FORM TO PROTEST LOW WAGES. SOURCE STATED THAT LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS ON THE MINIMUM WAGE BILL TO BE HELD AT CAPITOL TONIGHT. SOURCE STATED GROUP INTENDS PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION.

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THIS ACTIVITY IS IN CONNECTION WITH CONTINUING PROGRAMS REGARDING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE VALLEY. INASMUCH AS THIS APPEARS TO BE PART OF LEGITIMATE LABOR DISPUTE, SAN ANTONIO IS TAKING NO ACTION. THIS IS PURELY FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU. LOCAL AUTHORITIES ARE COGNIZANT.

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FBI

Date: 3/14/67

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL - REGISTERED
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)

RE: UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) dated and captioned as above. One copy each of this LHM is being sent to Region II, 115th MI, Pasadena, California; OSI, Norton Air Force Base; NIS, San Diego; U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; and U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles.

This matter will be followed and Bureau will be advised of outcome of march.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California
March 14, 1967

UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
AFL-CIO, DELANO,
CALIFORNIA

On March 10, 1967, [redacted] advised that the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC), AFL-CIO, Delano, had applied for, and granted, a parade permit to parade in the City of Delano on March 25, 1967. Officials of UFWOC plan a march from the Filipino Hall on Glenwood Street, Delano, to the corner of Garces Highway and Mettler Road, Delano, which will supposedly consist of from 800 to 1000 persons and which parade is in commemoration of the UFWOC march from Delano to Sacramento, California one year ago. The parade is to begin at 3:30 p.m. and end at 4:30 p.m.

Prior to the march on March 25, 1967, there will be a luncheon, singing, and a theater skit, and after the march a party is planned for the evening.

[redacted] advised that he expects far less than 800 to 1000 persons participating in the above-mentioned activities, and although there could be some mild demonstrations, he expects no particular problems.

Copies of this memorandum are being furnished to Region II, 115th MI, U. S. Army, Pasadena, California; OSI, Norton Air Force Base; Naval Investigative Service, San Diego; U. S. Secret Service, Los Angeles; and the U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles.

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Date: 3/23/67

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

RE: National Farm Workers Association [redacted]
ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS' STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The Valley Morning Star newspaper, Harlingen, Texas, morning of 3/23/67, carried a short article datelined Austin, Texas, as follows:

"The Valley Workers Assistance Committee will stage an Easter caravan to Rio Grande City to gather goods for farm workers and their families. [redacted]

"The caravan will leave from the State Capitol Saturday and take the same route as the farm workers' march last year, meeting a second group from Houston at Corpus Christi before continuing to the Valley.

"Rallies are scheduled in San Antonio, Corpus Christi, and Rio Grande City during the trip."

This activity is in connection with continuing programs regarding the farm workers' strike in the Rio Grande Valley. Inasmuch as this is part of a legitimate labor dispute, San Antonio is taking no action. The above is being submitted purely for the information of the Bureau. [redacted] REC 46 100-444762 -

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Special Agent in Charge

SACs, Houston (62-2417) (Enc.)
San Antonio (62-3257) (Enc.)

March 22, 1967

1 - [redacted]

Director, FBI

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
LA CASITA FARMS, INC. - VICTIM
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Forwarded herewith to each office is one copy of memorandum from the Criminal Division of the Department dated 3/15/67, which is self-explanatory.

For the information of the field, the Bureau has responded to the Criminal Division memorandum advising that our files reveal in 1966, the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) merged with the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA). The Department was advised that since October, 1965, considerable information received by the Bureau has been furnished to the Department relating both to Communist infiltration of NFWA and various demonstrations by such organization in connection with efforts to organize farm workers in Texas and in California. In addition, the Department was informed of information received from the [redacted] concerning the arrest on 2/1/67, of ten individuals on charges of disturbing the peace when they entered the premises of the victim corporation to harass nonunion workers. It was suggested the Department may wish to review information in its files prior to any investigation being instituted by the Bureau, and the Department was advised no further action will be taken by the FBI in the absence of a specific request from the Department.

No specific investigation is being requested at this time, but each office should insure that the Bureau is promptly advised of any incidents which arise in the future relating to organizational attempts or other activities of the captioned Committee in the Rio Grande Valley.

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

Any such incidents coming to your attention should be furnished to the Bureau promptly by appropriate communications bearing captions pertaining to particular activities of the Committee and, in any event, LHM's suitable for dissemination should be submitted.

Mr. Fred M. Vinson, Jr.
Assistant Attorney General

March 21, 1967

Director, FBI

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. Walters
1 - Mr. Adams
1 - Mr. Sullivan

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS
UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
LA CASITA FARMS, INC. - VICTIM
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to your memorandum dated March 15, 1967 (Department file 144-74-835), which requested advice as to certain activities of the captioned Committee.

Our files reveal that in 1966, the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) merged with the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA). Since October, 1965, considerable information received by this Bureau has been furnished to the Records Administration Office of the Department relating both to Communist infiltration of the NFWA and various demonstrations by such organization in connection with efforts to organize farm workers in Texas and in California. This information sets forth particular incidents as well as the general situation regarding labor organizing difficulties among the farm workers. (161-4719-31; 100-444762)

In addition, information has been received from the [redacted] that on February 1, 1967, the Sheriff's Office had arrested ten individuals on charges of disturbing the peace when they entered the premises of the victim corporation to harass the nonunion workers. Reportedly, there were among those arrested two individuals connected with UFWOC and five religious leaders. All of the persons arrested were released after posting $100 personal recognizance bond.

It is suggested you may wish to review information in Department files prior to any investigation being instituted by this Bureau. No further action will be taken by the FBI in the captioned matter in the absence of a specific request from the Department.

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

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NOTE:

Criminal Division advised of alleged violence as reported in newspapers concerning labor organizing activities of captioned Committee with regard to laborers of the victim corporation; requested advice of the situation generally and particular acts of violence coming to our attention; and indicated it would determine whether investigation was warranted under Anti-Racketeering (AR) Statute (18 USC 1951) which prohibits extortionate demands induced by violence.

No investigation under AR is being instituted since labor organizational activities are not considered extortion as defined in AR Statute.

Our investigation as to possible Communist infiltration of NFWA, independent labor union (now known as UFWOC), in the past did not indicate it was controlled by Communists, but that Communist Party members or sympathizers have furnished support in certain activities concerning grape growers in California. Various demonstrations by this organization in form of marches and auto caravans during 1966, were reportedly for the purpose of focusing attention on the organization by obtaining publicity.

San Antonio and Houston Offices being requested by separate communication to keep Bureau advised of any further incidents which occur relating to the organizational attempts of the union in the Rio Grande Valley.

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FBI

Date: 3/27/67

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Via AIRTEL _____ AIR MAIL - REGISTERED
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)(C)

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
AFL-CIO
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
IS - C

Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau 3/14/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) dated and captioned as above.

One copy each of this LHM is being sent to the following:

115th Military Intelligence Group
Pasadena, California

NISO, San Diego, California

Secret Service, Los Angeles, California

U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles, California

U. S. Attorney, Sacramento, California

OSI, Norton Air Force Base, California

No further investigation is being conducted in this matter.

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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California
March 27, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
AFL-CIO
DELANO, CALIFORNIA

On March 25, 1967, [redacted], advised that approximately 770 persons participated in the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) sponsored march at Delano on March 25, 1967. He said the march began an hour ahead of schedule at 2:30 PM and was completed at approximately 3:30 PM. [redacted] stated that the vast majority of individuals observed in the march group were strangers to Delano. Participants included representatives of the clergy, college students, beatniks, and UFWOC members. The demonstration was peaceful and no problems were experienced.

On March 27, 1967, [redacted], advised that no problems were reported by his Delano Substation.

[redacted] advised on March 27, 1967 that no problems were incurred with the march gathering of UFWOC members and sympathizers over the period of March 24, 1967 through March 26, 1967, and that most of the outsiders had left Delano.

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (C)

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS' STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re San Antonio airtel, 3/23/67.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 8 copies of an LHM captioned as above which are suitable for dissemination.

Since strike activities described in instant LHM are part of a legitimate labor dispute, no further action is being taken by San Antonio.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Antonio, Texas

April 3, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS' STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

The March 26, 1967, edition of The San Antonio Light, a daily San Antonio, Texas, newspaper, carried an article captioned "Student Caravan Takes Aid to Farm Workers" which states that a 25-car caravan originating in Austin, Texas, had traveled to Rio Grande City on March 25, 1967, carrying food, medicine, and clothing to striking farm workers in the Rio Grande City area.

According to the article, this caravan was joined at Corpus Christi, Texas, by approximately 100 individuals from the Houston-Corpus Christi areas.

The article stated the purpose of the caravan was to serve as a morale booster for the striking farm workers.

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FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) 1P

National Farm Workers Association

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE SAN ANTONIO AIRTEL TO DIRECTOR MAY THREE LAST.

[redacted] ADVISED TODAY SOME OF HIS FARM EMPLOYEES STATED BELIEVED UNITED FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION PLANNED TO ATTEMPT TO PREVENT CANTALOUPE PICKERS FROM GOING ONTO FARMS BY FORMING HUMAN CHAIN ACROSS ACCESS ROADS. ALSO PLANNED PREVENT MOVEMENT OF MELONS TO PACKING SHEDS IN SAME MANNER. SINCE STRIKE ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED ARE PART OF A LEGITIMATE LABOR DISPUTE NO FURTHER ACTION BEING TAKEN BY SAN ANTONIO.

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AIRTEL _____ (Priority or Method of Mailing)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P) [redacted]

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS [redacted]
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING [redacted]

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 2 copies of a LHM captioned as above and suitable for dissemination.

Four copies are enclosed for Houston's interest in the activities named in the LHM.

One copy is being disseminated locally to Immigration and Naturalization Service, Fort Isabel, Texas, in their interest in ORENDAIN described as a Mexican alien.

Source of information in LHM is [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Since strike activities described in instant LHM are part of a legitimate labor dispute, no further action is being taken by San Antonio.

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Special Agent in Charge

Copies of the LHM have also been furnished locally to OSI, MIG, NISO, Secret Service, San Antonio, and Secret Service Austin.

Sheriff's Office, Rio Grande City, Texas, has been notified.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
San Antonio, Texas
May 3, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

A source, who has in the past furnished reliable information, advised on May 2, 1967, as follows:

The weekend of May 5 - 7, 1967, is expected to see present at Rio Grande City, Texas area a group of about 50 demonstrators and active supporters in continuance of the Huelga which has been in progress there during the past several months.

Source stated that elements from the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee and Students for a Democratic Society from upstate, probably Houston and Austin, Texas, are being sought for the above event, with the intent of including persons of Negro descent especially. Source indicated that this accent was probably being placed on the upcoming support of the Huelga in light of the national publicity being given to "Black Power."

The present week in May 1967 is the beginning of the melon harvesting season and, according to source, a strategic time to attempt a slowdown or stopping of the harvesting of this perishable crop, which is destined seasonally for the northern markets at a premium price.

Source additionally advised he had information which he regarded as reliable and coming from the ranks of the strikers themselves that EUGENE NELSON, a principal in the Huelga, is to be in the future based at Pharr, Texas, where he is expected to operate a printing press, such as

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was done in a strike compaign here in the recent past among farm workers in Delano, California.

To replace NELSON as a functionary in the Huelga will be JAMES DRAKE, described as a "missionary preacher."

Source described NELSON further as the author of a Huelga book of instructions, which he had issued during the activities in Delano, California. Prior to taking a part in the Delano activities, NELSON reportedly spent a two-year period, 1963 - 1964, in the State of Michoacan, Mexico, where he was a "student and writer." Source further described NELSON as fluent in both Spanish and English and as well an educated conversationalist.

Source also observed that TONY BRENDAIN, another activist prominent in this Huelga, is a Mexican alien, who originated in the State of Michoacan.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

[redacted]

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING.

[redacted]

THE VALLEY EVENING MONITOR, MCALLEN, TEXAS, NEWSPAPER ON THIS DATE CARRIED AN ARTICLE PERTAINING TO "MEXICAN GREEN CARD WORKERS" WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING IN THE CANTALOUPE HARVEST AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, AND WHO YESTERDAY REFUSED TO ENTER THE UNITED STATES BECAUSE OF A PICKET LINE COMPOSED OF MEMBERS OF CONFEDERATION OF MEXICAN WORKERS (CTM). APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED OF THESE WORKERS ENTERED THE UNITED STATES AFTER MIDNIGHT THIS MORNING.

[redacted]

EX 113

TEXAS RANGERS HAVE BEEN IN STARR COUNTY, TEXAS, AND INSTANT ARTICLE QUOTED UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE MEMBERS AS HAVING SAID THEY HAVE TELEGRAPHED PRESIDENT JOHNSON TO REQUEST INVESTIGATION OF TEXAS RANGERS. THEY SAID RANGERS HAD SHOVED SEVERAL UNION MEMBERS AND WERE ACTING AS "STRIKE BREAKERS".

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

5- [redacted]

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

RE SAN ANTONIO TELETYPE MAY TWELVE, LAST. [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED TODAY EUGENE NELSON, A MEMBER OF UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC) ARRESTED MAY TWELVE LAST AFTER MAKING THREAT AGAINST TEXAS RANGERS BY STATING THERE WOULD BE SOME DEAD RANGERS UNLESS THEY LAY OFF OF UFWOC PICKETS.

NELSON IMMEDIATELY TAKEN BEFORE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE WHO SET BOND AT TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS. BOND SIGNED BY J. C. GUERRA, ROMA, TEXAS, WHO ACCORDING TO [redacted] HAS ONLY SIXTYONE ACRES OF LAND VALUED AT FIFTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS IN HIS NAME. FOR THIS REASON [redacted] REFUSED TO ACCEPT BOND UNTIL NELSON'S ATTORNEY, JAMES MC KEITHAN OF MISSION, TEXAS, BROUGHT HIM A STATEMENT FROM THE TEXAS COLLECTORS OFFICE INDICATING GUERRA TO OWN PROPERTY

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cc [redacted] - advised 7 [illegible]

OF SUFFICIENT VALUE TO MAKE HIS SIGNATURE ON BOND ACCEPTABLE. MC KEITHAN REFUSED TO DO THIS AND NELSON WAS REMANDED TO JAIL UNTIL ACCEPTABLE SURITY OBTAINED WHICH HAS NOT BEEN DONE TO DATE.

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To: SAC, San Antonio (62-3269)

From: Director, FBI (100-444762)

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS-INFORMATION CONCERNING

ReSAtel 5/13/67, no copies to Houston or Los Angeles.

San Antonio should incorporate information contained in referenced teletype into an LHM suitable for dissemination, and submit to Bureau by return mail.

The Criminal Division of the Department has previously expressed an interest in the activities of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee and dissemination of various incidents is being made to that Division, among others. Bureau instructions regarding submission of such LHMs is set forth in Bureau airtel to Houston and San Antonio dated 3/22/67. You should see that such instructions are followed in the future.

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AT AUSTIN, TEXAS Through established sources report results of the termination of the march and rally at Austin, Texas.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

San Antonio, Texas

September 1, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

On September 1, 1967, [redacted] advised on the evening of August 31, 1967, a rally was held at New Braunfels to create interest in the march to Austin, Texas, starting September 1, 1967, to dramatize the need to raise the standard of living of the workers in Rio Grande Valley of Texas. Approximately one hundred persons attended the rally.

Shortly after 7 a.m. on September 1, 1967, the marchers left New Braunfels en route to Austin. The march consisted of some twelve persons.

[redacted] stated he was of the understanding that the march will conclude Labor Day in Austin, Texas, where a rally is planned.

[redacted] added that there were no incidents during the rally and march.

The September 1, 1967, issue of the San Antonio Express, a daily San Antonio, Texas, newspaper, carried the following article.

"MARCHERS KICK OFF $1.25 WAGE DRIVE

"The Valley Farm Workers Assistance Committee rally Thursday night in New Braunfels, scheduled to trigger the committee's 1967 march on Austin, fired a blank.

"The prediction by Erasmo Andrade, state chairman of VFWAC, that 1,000 people would be at the rally in West End Park assembly hall fell short. A Texas Department of Public Safety officer estimated the crowd at 150, although

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

RE: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

Re San Antonio Tels 5/12 and 13/67 captioned as "ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS."

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 9 copies of LHM captioned as above which are suitable for dissemination.

[redacted]

Since strike activities are part of a legitimate labor dispute, no further action being taken by San Antonio.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
San Antonio, Texas

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

May 16, 1967

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC)
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The May 12, 1967, edition of the Valley Evening Monitor, a daily newspaper published at McAllen, Texas, carried an artical pertaining to "Mexican Green Card Holders," who have been working in the cantelope harvest at Rio Grande City, Texas, and who on the previous day had refused to enter the United States because of a picket line on the Mexican side of the border composed of members of the Confederation of Mexican Workers (CTM). Some 100 of these workers entered the U. S. to work after the picket line dispersed.

The article quoted UFWOC spokesman as having said they had telegraphed President LYNDON B. JOHNSON to request investigation of the Texas Rangers, as Rangers had "shoved" several union members and were strike breakers.

On May 13, 1967, [redacted], advised EUGENE NELSON, leader of the UFWOC at Rio Grande City, had been arrested the previous day after having threatened Texas Rangers by stating there would be some dead rangers unless they left the UFWOC pickets alone. NELSON was immediately taken before a Justice of the Peace who set bond at $2,000. He was remanded to the Starr County Jail in lieu of bond.

The May 16, 1967, edition of The Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas carries an artical captioned "Complaint Filed Against Ranger" which states Reverend ED KRUEGER of Edinburg, Texas, and one DAVID LOPEZ, a member of the UFWOC, had filed a complaint at Rio Grande City, Texas, the previous day against Texas Ranger JACK VAN CLEVE which alleged the Ranger shoved them during a demonstration at the International

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Bridge, Rio Grande, City, the previous week. Starr County Attorney RANDALL NYE was quoted as saying he would consider action in the matter on May 16, 1967.

This article also states EUGENE NELSON, supra, was released from Starr County Jail on May 15, 1967, after his attorney posted a $200 bond.

The article further states that five melon growers of the Rio Grande City area had sent a telegram to Senator JOHN TOWER, Republican, Texas, charging the presence of pickets on the Mexican side of the Roma, Texas, International Bridge was "an international conspiracy to block bridges and creat chaos.

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Via AIRTEL _____ (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P)

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
MISCELLANEOUS -
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM captioned as above and suitable for dissemination.

Since activities described in LHM represent a legitimate labor dispute, no further action is being taken by San Antonio.

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1 cc: AAG Civil Rights Division
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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

San Antonio, Texas

May 19, 1967

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC)
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The May 15, 1967, edition of the San Antonio Express, a daily newspaper published in San Antonio, Texas, carries an article which states that Henry Munoz, Jr., Director of the Equal Opportunity Department of the Texas AFL-CIO and member of the Texas Advisory Committee to the United States Commission on Civil Rights, had asked that that committee convene to investigate alleged violations of the civil rights of striking Starr County, Texas farm workers by Texas Rangers.

On May 18, 1967, Gilberto Padilla, Vice-President, United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC), Rio Grande City, Texas, advised that that morning while picketing at Trophy Farms, Rio Grande City, 22 members of the UFWOC had been arrested by Texas Rangers and charged with picketing within 50 feet of Trophy Farms and within 50 feet of each other. Complaints were filed against the pickets before a local Justice of the Peace and bond had been set at $100.00 each. Arrangements for bond were being made by Attorney for the UFWOC, James B. McKeithan. Padilla was considering filing charges locally against the Rangers for "pushing" pickets.

On May 18, 1967, [redacted] Texas Rangers, Rio Grande City, stated he and other Rangers had made the above arrests on the charge as stated, this being a violation of Texas law. He said one of those arrested was Domingo Arredondo, President of the UFWOC Chapter at Rio Grande City.

The May 18, 1967, edition of the Valley Evening Monitor, a daily newspaper published at McAllen, Texas, carried an article concerning the arrests, which quotes Starr County Deputy Sheriff Roberto Pena as saying the

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group arrested was "noisy and abusive and used vulgar language." The article also quotes Gilberto Padilla, supra, as saying "The charges against the pickets are ridiculous."

The May 19, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published in Harlingen, Texas, carries an article which states that State Representative Lauro Cruz of Houston, Texas, on May 15, 1967, had introduced a resolution in the Texas House of Representatives asking Texas Governor John Connally to remove the Texas Rangers from the Rio Grande City area because of "intimidation and harassment." The same newspaper carries another article which states Ernest Cortes, Jr., Boycott Coordinator of the UFWOC, had issued a statement protesting the arrest of the 22 pickets, saying the presence of the Texas Rangers in Rio Grande City is "a crude attempt at union busting."

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REC 10

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)
National Farm Workers Association

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P)

RE: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC)
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

It is noted captioned organization has become active in the Rio Grande Valley and is involved in organizational and strike activities in the Rio Grande City, Texas, area directed against the fruit and vegetable producers of that area. It is also noted that some leaders of the group were active in the UFWOC matters in the Los Angeles area and the "Grape Strike" activities at Delano, California, in 1964.

In this connection, Los Angeles is requested to furnish San Antonio with background information concerning the strike at Delano and any information indicating Communist Party or other group influence in that strike and/or the UFWOC.

Likewise any background information and information available concerning Communist Party or other group affiliation of the following-named individuals, all active in the UFWOC at Rio Grande City and believed to have been active at Delano, should be furnished:

1. EUGENE NELSON, age 37, white male, UFWOC organizer
2. WILLIAM CHANDLER, about 30, Los Angeles Police Department No. LA 546-656-C
3. DOMINGO ARREDONDO, age 31, white male, President of UFWOC at Rio Grande City

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4. GILBERTO PADILLA, white male, about 35, National Vice-President, UFWOC

5. Any other members of the UFWOC in California presently known or believed to be in the Rio Grande City area.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/31/67

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662) (C)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA)
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

OO: Los Angeles.

Re Chicago airtel and letterhead memorandum dated 1/23/67 and captioned "National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) Demonstration at Parkway Liquor, 52 West Division Street, Chicago, Illinois, January 21, 1967, information concerning."

Referenced memorandum advised that NFWA demonstrated on January 21, 1967, before the Parkway Liquor Store, 52 West Division Street, Chicago, Illinois, protesting the store's sale of wines distributed by Perelli Minetti Company, Delano, California.

On May 4, 1967, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that NFWA has its headquarters in Delano, California. The head of the NFWA is CESAR CHAVEZ. MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

Mr. CHARLES J. KROP, now with the Illinois Migrant Council (IMC), 1307 South Wabash, Chicago, was the organizer of the Chicago area group of the NFWA. This group is called "The Illinois Citizens Committee to Aid Delano Farm Workers."

The Chicago group has no headquarters as such but meets in the Office of DOUGLAS M. STILL, Director of the Federation of Churches of Greater Chicago, Room 510, 116 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago.

The source further advised the Illinois Citizens Committee does not have a formal membership list as such and no dues are charged, but any contributions will be gratefully received.

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The source advised that Reverend GILBERT CARROLL, Cardinal's Committee for Spanish-Speaking People, 13 South Wabash, Chicago; Reverend DANIEL ALVAREZ, Casa Central, 40 North Ashland; and Mr. CHARLES GOMEZ, the former Republican candidate for Cook County Commissioner and publisher of the weekly Spanish language newspaper "El Informador," were members.

The source stated that CHAVEZ had been in Chicago on April 25, 1967, and met with leading labor and church officials at this time. CHAVEZ urged that members send telegrams to Mr. JOHN TRIBUNO, 420 West 45th Street, New York City, New York, requesting him to cease purchasing vermouth from Perelli Minetti and urge Minetti to begin negotiations with NFWA.

The source concluded saying that while NFWA anticipated sending at least five people to the Chicago area to work on the Perelli Minetti boycott which was to be a selective buying type of picket, there was no immediate plans to put this into effect.

The above information is being furnished the New York Division in view of source's statement that a boycott of Minetti would probably be put in effect in the New York area.

Since the NFWA in Chicago has not conducted a demonstration since January 21, 1967, this matter is being placed in a closed status and will be reopened upon future demonstrations by the Chicago NFWA.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P)

RE: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC)
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 9 copies of a LHM captioned as above, suitable for dissemination.

[redacted]

Information contained in LHM was furnished telephonically to SA [redacted] after LOPEZ contacted the San Antonio Office and requested that he be called at UFWOC Headquarters, Rio Grande City, Texas, by an Agent.

Bureau should note LOPEZ stated the information contained in LHM had been rendered as testimony on 5/26/67, by himself and GILBERTO PADILLA and EUGENE NELSON to a Sub=Committee of the Texas Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, which Sub-Committee on 5/26/67, completed hearings being held at Rio Grande City, Texas, in connection with the harassment allegations by the UFWOC against the Texas Rangers and other law enforcement officials of that area arising from UFWOC strike activities.

No further inquiry being made in this matter by San Antonio.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
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San Antonio, Texas

May 27, 1967

UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC)

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

David Lopez, Staff Representative, Organization Department, AFL-CIO, Houston, Texas, furnished the following information on May 26, 1967:

He is currently assigned at Rio Grande City, Texas, as an Advisor to the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC).

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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On the evening of May 25, 1967, he, Eugene Nelson, an organizer of the UFWOC, and Gilberto Padilla, National Vice-President of the UFWOC, were leaving the Catfish Inn, a restaurant in Rio Grande City, as Captain A. L. Alyee, Officer in Charge, Texas Rangers, Rio Grande City, and Ranger Jack Van Cleave were leaving the Ringold Hotel, across the street from the Catfish Inn. Captain Alyee called to Nelson telling him he was under arrest, then pointed to Lopez and Padilla saying, "You too." He then said that he and Van Cleave would like them to accompany them somewhere where "one of your men" (referring to a member of the UFWOC) was giving the Rangers trouble. Lopez, Nelson, and Padilla agreed to follow the Rangers in their own car. Lopez, at this point, started back into the Catfish Inn to get one Albert Armendarez, a member of the Texas Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, and Bill Oliver, a U. S. Civil Right Commission staff member, to witness the situation. Captain Alyee and Ranger Van Cleave entered their own car and drove away at a high rate of speed and Lopez, Nelson, and Padilla took this to mean that the Rangers did not want them to follow. They did not follow.

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Lopez stated that he, Nelson, and Padilla at no time believed they were under arrest since Captain Alyee appeared to be joking and Ranger Van Cleave's action indicated he had been drinking intoxicating beverages and liquor could be smelled on his breath.

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Lopez stated he was not making a specific complaint but believed the Rangers' actions represented part of continuing harassment tactics against the UFWOC.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P)

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING [redacted]

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 9 copies of an LHM captioned as above, which are suitable for dissemination.

[redacted] mentioned in LHM, advised he was furnishing the information on an informational basis in view of the fact it deals with a labor dispute indirectly involving the Missouri-Pacific Railroad. He stated no damage has as yet been sustained by the railroad.

In view of the fact this matter represents a legitimate labor dispute, no active investigation being conducted by San Antonio.

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May 31, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

On May 29, 1967, [redacted], advised that trains leaving Rio Grande City, Texas, on Friday evening, May 26, and Saturday evening, May 27, 1967, had been stoned repeatedly by UFWOC pickets at most towns of any significant size between Rio Grande City and Taylor, Texas, some 300 miles away. Some locations where stones were thrown included Mission, McAllen, Edinburg, LaFeria, Victoria, Palfurrias, Alice, San Antonio, and Austin, Texas. Additionally, a switch engine running ahead of the main train on May 26 had located a few railroad spikes and tie plates on the railroad tracks near Weslaco, Texas, while the train running on May 27 had located a rock on the track near McAllen, Texas, and two rocks at Donna, Texas.

[redacted] stated the Missouri-Pacific Railroad Company has as yet sustained no material damage related to UFWOC activities.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P) 5 [redacted]
National Farm Workers Association

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM captioned as above which are suitable for dissemination.

DAVID LOPEZ, mentioned in LHM, stated he was furnishing the information to make it a matter of record and had no specific complaint.

Pertinent law enforcement agencies are cognizant of UFWOC plans for the June 3, 1967, rally at Rio Grande City, Texas.

San Antonio following through established sources.

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San Antonio, Texas

June 1, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

On May 31, 1967, [redacted] had on that date arrested twelve members of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) who had been picketing at La Casita Farms, Rio Grande City. They were charged with picketing within fifty feet of each other, which is a violation of the Texas Criminal Code. They were taken before Justice of the Peace Brigido Lopez, Rio Grande City, and remanded to the Starr County Jail in lieu of $400 bond each.

On May 31, 1967, David Lopez, Organizational Staff, AFL-CIO, Houston, Texas, presently assigned at Rio Grande City as an advisor to the UFWOC, advised that Mrs. William L. Chandler, wife of UFWOC organizer William L. Chandler, and UFWOC member Horacio Carrillo, were arrested about 6 p.m. that date near the Missouri-Pacific Railroad Depot, Rio Grande City, on identical charges as those arrested above. As of 8:45 p.m., they had as yet not been afforded an appearance before a local magistrate and bond had as yet not been set.

According to Mr. Lopez, these two individuals were arrested by Starr County Deputy Sheriff Roberto Pena on orders of Captain A. [illegible] Alyee of the Texas Rangers.

Mr. Lopez stated the UFWOC plans to hold a rally on June 3, 1967, at a public park located one block west of UFWOC headquarters, Rio Grande City. The rally is meant to be "a show of strength" only and no demonstrations are planned. About

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200 to 300 members and supporters of the UFWOC are expected.

Mr. Lopez additionally advised that UFWOC legal counsel is expected in Rio Grande City on June 1, 1967, and will begin preparing a case through which they hope to bring civil actions alleging violations of the Civil Rights Act of 1870 against the Texas Rangers and other local law enforcement officials. In this way they hope to obtain a restraining order against these officials to prevent further arrests and interference in UFWOC activities.

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FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Re San Antonio teletype to the Bureau 6/2/67 [redacted]

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination. Information copies being furnished to Dallas, Houston, and El Paso, in view of contents of LHM.

Local dissemination has been made to Secret Service, San Antonio and Austin, OSI, NISO, 112th MI GP., SAPD, and Texas DPS.

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AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS Will follow through appropriate sources activities regarding this matter.

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C. C. Wick

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE
IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

On June 2, 1967, [redacted] Special Agent, 112th Military Intelligence Group, Austin, Texas, advised an undated leaflet entitled "Melon Season Convoy, Caravan to Rio Grande City" issued by The University of Texas Valley Workers Assistance Committee, 2200 Guadalupe, Austin, Texas, set forth in part that on June 2, 1967, groups from Dallas, Houston, and Austin, were departing for San Antonio, Texas, where they would meet at the Produce Terminal at 10 p.m., June 2, 1967.

According to the leaflet, the caravan is scheduled to leave San Antonio for Rio Grande City, Texas, at 5 a.m., June 3, 1967, arriving in Rio Grande City 11 a.m. and will be picketing for the remainder of the day. Leaflet also set forth that a meeting is to be held at The University of Texas YMCA, Austin, Texas, at 7 p.m., June 2, 1967, in reference to the above caravan.

On June 2, 1967, David Lopez, staff representative, AFL-CIO, Houston, Texas, presently assigned as advisor to United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, (UFWOC), at Rio Grande City, Texas, has advised that the UFWOC plans a rally at the public park one block east of UFWOC headquarters, Rio Grande City, Texas, June 3, 1967.

According to Lopez, no picketing or demonstrations are planned and rally will consist of speeches by various union officials.

On June 2, 1967, Erasmo Andrade, State Chairman, Valley Workers Assistance Committee, San Antonio, Texas, contacted the San Antonio Office of the FBI regarding the above

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mentioned caravan. He stated that the caravan consists of students, faculty members, and friends from Dallas, Austin, and San Antonio, Texas. Caravan to arrive Rio Grande City, Texas, in time for rally to be held in Rio Grande City 1:30 p.m., June 3, 1967. According to Andrade, the committee hopes for 300 participants. Rally being called "anti-Rangers rally" according to Andrade.

The following individuals were contacted and furnished the above information on June 2, 1967, at times indicated:

12:42 p.m., [redacted]

12:48 p.m., [redacted] United States Secret Service, San Antonio, Texas

12:57 p.m., [redacted] United States Secret Service, Austin, Texas

1:03 p.m., [redacted] 112th Military Intelligence Group

1:16 p.m., [redacted] Intelligence Division, Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas

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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS. MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RESATEL JUNE TWO, LAST.

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE HELD RALLY AS DESCRIBED IN RETEL AFTERNOON AND EVENING OF JUNE THREE INSTANT IN RIO GRANDE CITY. RALLY COMPOSED PRIMARILY OF SPEECHES BY LOCAL UFWOC ORGANIZERS, CALLING FOR SUPPORT OF FARM LABORERS IN RIO GRANDE CITY. NO SIGNIFICANT EVENTS REPORTED.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION STRIKE, IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Re San Antonio teletype 6/2/67.

Enclosed herewith are nine copies of an LHM captioned as above which are suitable for dissemination.

As mentioned in retel, due to the fact this represents a legitimate labor dispute which has deep seated political implications, no further investigation being conducted.

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1cc: AAG Civil Rights Division
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1 cc CIVIL RIGHTS UNIT

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San Antonio, Texas

June 2, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE
IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

David Lopez, staff representative, AFL-CIO, Houston, Texas, presently assigned as advisor to the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC), furnished the following information on June 2, 1967.

At about 11:15 p.m., June 1, 1967, four Texas Rangers under the command of Ranger Captain A. L. Alyee, appeared at UFWOC headquarters, Rio Grande City, Texas, armed with shotguns inquiring for UFWOC members Magdaleno Dimas and Ben Rodriguez. UFWOC organizer William L. Chandler spoke with Rangers and told them he did not know where Dimas and Rodriguez were. The Rangers did not mention charges involved. In Chandler's opinion, the Rangers were drinking. After Rangers left UFWOC headquarters, Chandler went to 409 North E Street, Rio Grande City, where Dimas, Rodriguez, and other UFWOC members reside to warn them Rangers were looking for them. Rangers reportedly arrived at the house, broke down two doors, and arrested Dimas and Rodriguez. They showed no warrant. According to UFWOC member Kathy Baker, who also was staying at above residence, the Rangers beat Dimas and Rodriguez severely and used vulgar language. No charge was mentioned. Dimas and Rodriguez were taken to Starr County Jail, Rio Grande City. Members of the local press media were notified of the above immediately by Lopez.

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1:46PM URGENT 6-3-67 GAA

TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62 -3269)

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY,TEXAS. MISCELLANEOUS -INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RESATELS JUNE TWO, LAST.

JUNE THREE, INSTANT, EDITION OF THE EXPRESS AND NEWS, A DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN SAN ANTONIO,TEXAS, CARRIED ARTICLE ON PAGE ONE, WHICH QUOTES ONE DR. RAMIRO CASSO, MC ALLEN,TEXAS, AS SAYING MAGDALENO DIMAS, ARRESTED NIGHT OF JUNE ONE, LAST BY TEXAS RANGERS "TOOK THE WORST BEATING I HAVE EVER SEEN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ADMINISTER" AND THAT DIMAS SUFFERED BRAIN CONCUSSION, A GASH BEHIND EAR, AND "TREMENDOUS SWELLING NEAR THE BRAIN".

FOR INFO OF BUREAU, BASIS FOR DR. CASSO'S BELIEF THAT INJURY WAS INFLICTED IS UNKNOWN.

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SAME ARTICLE STATES TEXAS RANGER CAPTAIN A/L/ ALLEE IN INTERVIEW WITH A HARLINGEN,TEXAS, RADIO STATION, JUNE TWO LAST, HAD SAID HE, ACCOMPAINED BY TWO STARR COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFFS, ARRESTED DIMAS AND BEN RODRIGUEZ BECAUSE HE FEARED VIOLENCE IF THEY WERE LEFT AT LARGE.

ALLEE SAID DIMAS AND RODRIGUEZ WERE TRACED TO A HOUSE WHERE THEY WERE FOUND SEATED AT A TABLE WITH THEIR HANDS UNDERNEATH IT. HE ORDERED THEM TO PUT THEIR HANDS UP, THEY REFUSED TO DO SO, AND HE AND THE DEPUTIES "USED WHAT FORCE WAS NECESSARY" TO ARREST THEM.

SAME NEWSPAPER CARRIES ARTICLE ON PAGE ONE WHICH QUOTED COL. HOMER GARRISON,DIRECTOR, TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, WHO IS A HIGHLY RESPECTED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER IN TEXAS, AS SAYING CHARGES OF RANGERS7 BRUTALITY ARE "TOTALLY FALSE AND UNFOUNDED". HE NOTED "THE CHARGE OF POLICE BRUTALITY IS THE COMMON DEFENSE AND CRY OF A PROFESSIONAL CRIMINAL AND AGITATOR" AND REFERRING TO STATEMENTS BY CRITICS OF THE TEXAS RANGERS SAID "IF THE OBEY THE LAW, NO TEXAS RANGER EVER HAS OR EVER WILL MOLEST THEM".

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JUNE THREE, INSTANT, EDITION OF THE VALLEY MORNING STAR, A DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED AT HARLINGEN, TEXAS, CARRIES ARTICLE ON PAGE ONE CAPTIONED "KEEP THE RANGERS HERE", WHICH STATES PETITIONS ARE BEING WIDELY CIRCULATED AMONG STARR COUNTY CITIZENS DIRECTED TO COL. GARRISON, SUPRA, THANKING HIM FOR THE PRESENCE OF THE RANGERS IN STARR COUNTY AND URGING THAT THEY REMAIN. PURPOSE OF THE PETITIONS, ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, IS TO OPPOSE A STATEMENT BY LIBERAL STATE SENATOR JOE BERNAL OF SAN ANTONIO,TEXAS, WHO HAS SAID HE WILL ASK GOVERNOR JOHN CONNALLY TO REMOVE THE RANGERS FROM STARR COUNTY.

FOR INFO BUREAU,DR. RAMIRO CASSO, SUPRA, IS PROMINENT IN LIBERAL POLITICAL CIRCLES IN RIO GRANDE VALLEY.

SINCE THIS IS A PART OF CONTINUING LABOR DISPUTE IN RIO GRANDE VALLEY WHICH HAS DEEP POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS AND HAS RECEIVED WIDE-SPREAD PUBLICITY IN LOCAL AND NATIONAL NEWS MEDIA, NO ACTION IS RECOMMENDED BY SAN ANTONIO.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE. MISC. INFO. CONCERNING [redacted]

JUNE TWO INSTANT EDITION OF VALLEY EVENING MONITOR, DAILY NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED MC ALLEN, TEXAS, CARRIES FRONT PAGE ARTICLE CAPTIONED, "BERNAL SAYS CONNALLY WILL BE ASKED TO REMOVE TEXAS RANGERS", WHICH STATES IN PART THAT BEN RODRIGUEZ AND MAGDALENO DIMAS OF UFWOC WERE ARRESTED THRUSDAY NIGHT, JUNE ONE LAST; DIMAS ON CHARGE OF CARRYING A DEADLY WEAPON AND DISTURBING THE [redacted] PEACE AT LA CASITA FARMS, RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS; RODRIGUEZ [redacted] CHARGE OF HELPING DIMAS RESIST ARREST.

ARTICLE STATES THAT ACCORDING TO JUSTICE OF THE PEACE BRIGIDO S. LOPEZ, RIO GRANDE CITY, DIMAS SUFFERED SMALL CUT NEAR ONE EAR AND RODRIGUEZ A SMALL CUT ON ONE FINGER. BOTH WERE TREATED AT A RIO GRANDE CITY HOSPITAL ON ORDERS OF JUSTICE OF PEACE LOPEZ.

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ARTICLE FURTHER STATES STATE SENATOR JOE BERNAL, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, IN PRESS CONFERENCE AT MC ALLEN, TEXAS, JUNE TWO INSTANT,

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CC - [redacted]

SAID HE WAS GOING TO ASK TEXAS GOVERNOR JOHN CONNALLY TO REMOVE TEXAS RANGERS FROM STARR COUNTY ON BASIS RANGERS ARE PRESENT AT REQUEST OF PRODUCE GROWERS AND NOT THE PEOPLE, THAT RANGERS ARE MAKING UNJUSTIFIED ARRESTS, A UNION MEMBER WAS JAILED RECENTLY WITHOUT BEING CHARGED, AND RANGERS USED VIOLENCE JUNE ONE LAST IN ARRESTING TWO UNION MEMBERS. BERNAL SAID FBI HAD BEEN ASKED TO DETERMINE WHETHER FEDERAL LAW HAS BEEN VIOLATED.

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GENERAL INVES[illegible]ATIVE DIVISION

We have rec[illegible]ved several complaints from the Rio Gr[illegible]de City, Texas, area in recent months from various sources regarding the alleged mistreatment and denial of civil rights by law enforcement officers in that area in connection with the strike of farm workers. Limited inquiries have been conducted at the request of the Department and results of such inquiries have been furnished to the Civil Rights Division. A recent request by the Department to interview Mr. Henry Munoz, Jr., of the Texas Advisory Committee to the United States Commission on Civil Rights concerning his alleged knowledge of violations in this area is presently being handled by the San Antonio Office. The Department will be contacted regarding its desires in this matter.

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11:08 AM URGENT 6/2/67 ADJ

TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, (UFWOC) MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING.

DAVID LOPEZ, STAFF REPRESENTATIVE, AFL-CIO, HOUSTON, TEXAS, PRESENTLY ASSIGNED RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, AS ADVISOR TO UFWOC, ADVISED AS FOLLOWS THIS MORNING.

AT ABOUT ELEVEN FIFTEEN PM, JUNE ONE LAST, FOUR TEXAS RANGERS COMMANDED BY RANGER CAPTAIN A. L. ALYEE, APPEARED AT UFWOC HEADQUARTERS, RIO GRANDE CITY, ARMED WITH SHOTGUNS INQUIRING FOR UFWOC MEMBERS MAGDALENO DIMAS AND BEN RODRIGUEZ. UFWOC ORGANIZER WILLIAM L. CHANDLER SPOKE WITH RANGERS, ADVISING THEM DID NOT KNOW WHERE DIMS AND RODRIGUEZ WERE. RANGERS DID NOT MENTION CHARGE INVOLVED. IN CHANDLER'S OPINION, RANGERS WERE DRINKING. WHEN RANGERS LEFT, CHANDLER WENT TO FOUR ZERO NINE N.E. ST., RIO GRANDE CITY, WHERE DIMAS AND RODRIGUEZ AND OTHER UFWOC MEMBERS RESIDE TO WARN THEM RANGERS WERE LOOKING FOR THEM. RANGERS REPORTEDLY ARRIVED AT HOUSE, SHOWED NO WARRANT, BROKE DOWN TWO DOORS, AND ARRESTED DIMAS AND RODRIGUEZ.

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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ACCORDING TO UFWOC MEMBER KATHY BAKER, WHO WAS ALSO STAYING AT ABOVE RESIDENCE, RANGERS BEAT RODRIGUEZ AND DIMAS SEVERELY AND USED VULGAR LANGUAGE. NO CHARGE WAS MENTIONED. DIMS AND RODRIGUEZ WERE TAKEN TO STARR CO. JAIL, RIO GRANDE CITY. LOCAL PRESS REPRESENTATIVES WERE NOTIFIED OF ABOVE IMMEDIATELY BY LOPEZ.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

BUREAU REFER TO SAN ANTONIO AIRTELS ENCLOSING LETTERHEAD MEMORANDA ~~DIMS~~ CAPTIONED AS ABOVE DATED MAY SIXTEEN, NINETEEN, TWENTY-NINE, AND THIRTYONE LAST, AND JUNE ONE LAST, AS WELL AS CORRESPONDENCE PRIOR TO MAY FIFTEEN LAST UNDER CAPTION ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING, SAME BUFILE AS ABOVE. BUREAU ALSO REFER TO BUAIRTEL 5/31/67 CAPTIONED "UNSUBS; UNKNOWN VICTIM, HENRY MUNOZ JR., COMPLAINANT; CIVIL RIGHTS.

IT IS NOTED THIS MATTER REPRESENTS PART OF CONTINUING LABOR DISPUTE IN RIO GRANDE VALLEY WHICH HAS DEEP POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS AND HAS RECEIVED WIDE SPREAD PUBLICITY IN LOCAL AND NATIONAL NEWS MEDIA AND HAS CAUSED WIDE SPREAD BICKERING

BETWEEN VARIOUS POLITICAL FACTIONS AND LEADERS, INCLUDING TEXAS GOVERNOR JOHN CONNALLY AND SENATOR RALPH YARBOROUGH (D, TEXAS). IN VIEW OF THESE POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS, IT IS NOT DEEMED ADVISABLE TO CONDUCT FURTHER INVESTIGATION IN THIS MATTER.

LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM ~~LHM~~ FOLLOWS.

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CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS MISCELLANEOUS-INFORMATION CONCERNING NATIONAL FARM WORKER ASSOCIATION

Re San Antonio teletype, 6/2/67.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 9 copies of LHM dated and captioned as above which is suitable for dissemination.

Since information contained in LHM represents continuing legitimate labor dispute in Starr County, Texas, matter is being followed through established sources.

1cc: AAG Civil Rights Division
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JUN 7 1967 1 cc CIVIL RIGHTS UNIT
carried as "Texas Ranger Capt. A.Y. Allen, ETAL; Magdaleno Dimas Garza, ETAL - Victims - CR.

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2cc RAG CIVIL DIV. by O-5D
1cc LABOR DESK, TICKLER

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San Antonio, Texas
June 3, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM
WORKERS STRIKE IN
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

The June 2, 1967 edition of the Valley Evening Monitor, daily newspaper published in McAllen, Texas, carries an article on page 1 captioned, "Bernal Says Connally Will Be Asked to Remove Texas Rangers".

The article states in part that one Ben Rodriguez and Magdaleno Dimas of United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) were arrested Thursday night, June 1, 1967. Dimas was arrested on charges of carrying a deadly weapon and disturbing the peace at La Casita Farms in Rio Grande City, Texas, and Rodriguez on charge of helping Dimas resist arrest.

The article states that according to Justice of the Peace Brigido S. Lopez, Rio Grande City, Dimas suffered a small cut near one ear and Rodriguez a small cut on one finger. Both were treated at a Rio Grande City Hospital on instructions of Justice of the Peace Lopez.

The article further states State Senator Joe Bernal, San Antonio, Texas, in a press conference in McAllen, Texas, on June 2, 1967, said he was going to ask Texas Governor John Connally to remove the Texas Rangers from Starr County on the basis that the rangers are present at the request of the produce growers and not the people, that the Rangers are making unjustified arrests, that a union member was recently jailed without being charged, and that Rangers used violence on June 1, 1967, while arresting two union members.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM
WORKERS STRIKE IN
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
National Farm Workers
ReSAtel 6/3/67. (Association)

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are nine copies of LHM captioned as above and suitable for dissemination.

Information contained in LHM reports part of a continuing labor dispute in the Rio Grande Valley, Texas, which is being followed through established sources.

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1cc: AAG Civil Rights Division
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submitted under caption: Tex. Ranger Capt. A. Y. Allee, ET AL; Magdaleno Dimas Garza - Victim; ET AL, CR.

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San Antonio, Texas
June 3, 1967

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM
WORKERS STRIKE IN
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

The June 3, 1967, edition of the Express and News, a daily newspaper published in San Antonio, Texas, carried an article on page one, which quotes one Dr. Ramiro Casso, McAllen, Texas, as saying that Magdaleno Dimas, who was arrested on the night of June 1, 1967, by Texas Rangers "Took the worst beating I have ever seen law enforcement officers administer" and that Dimas suffered a brain concussion, a gash behind the ear, and "tremendous swelling near the brain".

The same article states Texas Ranger Captain A. L. Allee in an interview with a Harlingen, Texas, radio station, June 2, 1967, had said he, accompanied by two Starr County Deputy Sheriffs, arrested Dimas and Ben Rodriguez because he feared violence if they were left at large.

Allee said Dimas and Rodriguez were traced to a house where they were found seated at a table with their hands underneath it. He ordered them to put their hands up; they refused to do so; and he and the deputies "used what force was necessary" to arrest them.

The same newspaper carries an article on page one which quoted Colonel Homer Garrison, Director, Texas Department of Public Safety, as saying charges of Rangers' brutality are "totally false and unfounded". He noted "The charge of police brutality is the common defense and cry of a professional criminal and agitator" and referring to statements by critics of the Texas Rangers said "If they obey the law, no Texas Ranger ever has or ever will molest them".

The June 3, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas, carries an

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article on page one captioned, "Keep The Rangers Here", which states petitions are being widely circulated among Starr County citizens directed to Col. Garrison, supra, thanking him for the presence of the Rangers in Starr County and urging that they remain. The purpose of the petitions, according to the article, is to oppose a statement by State Senator Joe Bernal of San Antonio, Texas, who has said he will ask Governor John Connally to remove the Rangers from Starr County.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)) NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS. MISCELLANEOUS-INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE SAN ANTONIO TELETYPE TODAY CAPTIONED "UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZAING COMMITTEE. MISCELLANEOUS-INFORMATION CONCERNING."

IN ORDER TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE SITUATION IS MAINTAINED IN SAME FILE, FUTURE COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER WILL BE CARRIED AS CAPTIONED.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OF BUREAU, ON JUNE TWO INSTANT, [redacted] SPECIAL AGENT, ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH MI GP, AUSTIN, TEXAS. ADVISED AN UNDATED LEAFLET ENTITLED, "MELON SEASON SONVOY, CARAVAN TO RIO GRANDE CITY", ISSUED BY UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS VALLEY WORKERS ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE, TWO TWO ZERO ZERO GUADALUPE, AUSTIN, TEXAS, SET FORTH IN PART THAT ON JUNE TWO INSTANT, GROUPS FROM DALLAS, HOUSTON, AND AUSTIN, WERE DEPARTING FOR SAN ANTONIO WHERE THEY WOULD MEET AT THE PRODUCE TERMINAL AT TEN PM. THE CARAVAN IS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

SAN ANTONIO FOR RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, TOMORROW MORNING AT FIVE AM, ARRIVING IN RIO GRANDE CITY ELEVEN AM AND WILL BE PICKETING FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE DAY. LEAFLET ALSO SET FORTH THAT A MEETING IS TO BE HELD AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS YMCA, AUSTIN, SEVEN PM, JUNE TWO INSTANT, IN REFERENCE TO ABOVE CARAVAN.

IT IS NOTED DAVID LOPEZ, STAFF REPRESENTATIVE, AFL-CIO, HOUSTON, TEXAS, PRESENTLY ASSIGNED AS ADVISOR TO UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC) AT RIO GRANDE CITY, HAS ADVISED THE UFWOC PLANS RALLY AT PUBLIC PARK ONE BLOCK WEST OF UFWOC HEADQUARTERS, RIO GRANDE CITY, JUNE THREE NEXT. ACCORDING TO LOPEZ, NO PICKETING OR DEMMONSTRATIONS ARE PLANNED AND RALLY WILL CONSIST OF SPEECHES BY VARIOUS UNION OFFICIALS.

ERASMO ANDRADE, STATE CHAIRMAN, VALLEY WORKERS ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE, CONTACTED SAN ANTONIO OFFICE THIS DATE, RE INSTANT MATTER AT WHICH TIME HE MADE KNOWN CARAVAN CONSISTS OF STUDENTS, FACULTY MEMBERS, AND FRIENDS FROM DALLAS, AUSTIN, AND SAN ANTONIO. CARAVAN TO ARRIVE RIO GRANDE CITY IN TIME FOR RALLY TO BE HELD THAT CITY SEVEN THIRTY P.M., JUNE THREE NEXT. COMMITTEE HOPES FOR THREE HUNDRED TO PARTICIPATE. RALLY BEING CALLED ANTI-RANGERS RALLY ACCORDING TO ANDRADE.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND SECRET SERVICE COGNIZANT. LHM FOLLOWS.

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CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P)

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM
WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO
GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Re San Antonio teletype, 6/4/67.

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Inasmuch as this matter represents a legitimate labor dispute, San Antonio is following through established sources.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF [illegible]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF [illegible]

San Antonio, Texas

June 1[illegible], [illegible]

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

On the evening of June [illegible], 1967, [redacted] advised the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee had held a rally at a public park in Rio Grande City on that date which rally consisted primarily of speeches by local UFWOC organizers. Approximately 150 people were in attendance at the rally and no significant events were reported.

The June 7, 1967, edition of the Valley Evening Monitor, a daily newspaper published at McAllen, Texas, carried an article on its front page captioned, "Senators Say Rangers Needed," which article states Texas state senators Oscar Mauzy of Dallas, Don Kennard of Fort Worth and A.R. Schwartz of Galveston had completed an investigation at Rio Grande City, Texas, with the conclusion that Texas Rangers are needed in the Rio Grande Valley to prevent possible violence arising from the farm labor dispute in that area.

The same newspaper carried an article on Page [illegible], captioned "NAACP Official Takes Look at Starr Dispute," which states Richard L. Dockery of Dallas, southwest regional director of the NAACP, was visiting Starr County making an investigation concerning complaints charging brutality by law enforcement officers and violations of civil rights.

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A third article on Page 1 of this newspaper states Colonel Homer Garrison, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, had received petitions containing about 1,800 names, 100 letters, and 100 telegrams supporting the Texas Rangers in the Rio Grande Valley farm dispute. He has received about ten letters critical of the Rangers.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

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San Antonio, Texas

June 13, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

The June 13, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas, carries an article on page one captioned, "Union Asks Halt in Arrests of Pickets", which states that a group representing the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) at Rio Grande City filed a petition in United States District Court, Brownsville, Texas, on June 12, 1967, asking that Texas Rangers and local law enforcement officers in the Rio Grande City area be enjoined from "unlawful threats, searches and seizures, unlawful and groundless mass and individual arrests, detention, and confinement with complete disregard to due process of law guaranteed by the fifth and fourteenth Amendments of the Constitution."

The article further states that officials of the AFL-CIO affiliated UFWOC had outlined plans for a "long, vigorous union push and stepped-up civil rights action".

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C# 212241

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Enclosed to the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM captioned as above suitable for dissemination.

Bureau's attention is directed to the following:

Report of SA [redacted] dated 6/7/67 at San Antonio, entitled TEXAS RANGER CAPTAIN ALFRED ALLEE, aka, ET AL, CR, OO: San Antonio (44-1126)

Bureau airtel to San Antonio dated 6/9/67 regarding the following cases:

UNSUBS; Texas Rangers; CAPTAIN ALFRED Y. ALLEE, Texas Ranger; EUGENE NELSON - VICTIM, CR (SA 44-1130)

UNSUBS; REVEREND ED KRUGER - VICTIM; MRS. ED KRUGER - VICTIM; DOUGLASS ADAIR - VICTIM; MAGDALENO DIMAS - VICTIM, CR (SA 44-1131)

UNSUBS; TEXAS RANGERS; PANCHO MEDRANO - VICTIM, CR (SA 44-1132)

UNSUB; TEXAS RANGER; CAROL BAKER - VICTIM, CR, (SA 44-1133)

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1 cc CIVIL RIGHTS UNIT
1cc: SAAG Civil Rights Division

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

San Antonio, Texas

June 14, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

Reference is made to FBI, San Antonio, memorandum dated June 13, 1967, captioned as above.

The June 13, 1967, Home Edition issue of the San Antonio Light, a San Antonio, Texas, daily newspaper, carried the following article on page six.

"UNION FORCES BRING VALLEY RIGHTS SUIT

"A suit filed here Monday asks a federal judge to order law enforcement officials involved in the Starr County farm labor union dispute not to violate the civil rights of union members.

"U. S. Dist. Judge Reynaldo Garza, out of town when the suit was filed, was expected to return today.

"The court clerk said she will issue a summons for each of the defendents named in the suit. The suit, filed by the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO, asks for an injunction against five Texas Rangers, three Starr County officers, a special deputy sheriff and a justice of the peace.

"Doran Williams, a union lawyer, said the suit 'does not seek in any way to prevent those people from enforcing the valid laws of the state of Texas.'

"Two Weeks?

"Another lawyer involved in the suit is Chris Dixie of Houston, Williams said.

"Williams said depositions in the suit, filed under the Civil Rights Act of 1966, will be taken from the defendents

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STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

"'in the next day or two.'

"Named in the suit are Texas Ranger Capt. A. Y. Allee, Ranger Sgt. S. H. Denson, Rangers Jack Van Clevel, T. H. Dawson, and Jerome Preiss, Starr County Sheriff Dr. Rene Solis, Deputies Raul Pena and Roberto Pena, Special Deputy Jim Rochester, and Justice of the Peace B. S. Lopez.

"Rochester is an employee of La Casita Farms, the principal target of the union's year-long organizational drive. The California-based union seeks a $1.25 an hour minimum wage and union contracts for the field hands of Starr County.

"Rochester's brother, Ray, is vice president and general manager of the huge farm.

"Named as plaintiffs in the suit are Frank (Pancho) Medrano of Dallas, Kathy Baker, David Lopez, Gilbert Padilla, Magdaleno Dimas, Benjamin Rodriguez and the union.

"The Charges

"Defendants in the case are accused of 'unlawful harrassment, threats, searches and seizures unlawful and groundless mass and individual arrests, physical assaults and batteries and disregard for due process of law.'

"Another allegation of the suit claims that Allee, Van Cleve and Preiss 'unlawfully and without warrants or justification,' arested some of the plaintiffs. The suit also alleges that private property was taken from some of the plaintiffs and contends that some of the property was destroyed.

"William Kircher, organization director of the AFL-CIO, is scheduled to meet with Gov. John Connally at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Austin, according to Williams.

"A union spokesman said Kircher expects to discuss the Starr County labor dispute with the governor.

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

"Texas Rangers have been stationed in Starr County since the harvest of the million dollar melon crop began in early May. Local officials said they asked the Rangers for assistance.

"Houston Man

"The melon crop is almost harvested. Farm spokesmen agree that the harvest may last another two weeks.

"Union officers have made almost daily protests concerning the use of the Rangers and last Friday took their protest to the governor when he went to Laredo to speak at a banquet for a Mexican-American organization.

"Since the melon harvest began, 65 persons have been arrested in connection with union activities.

"Cesar Chavez, national director of the union, ordered a halt to all picketing in Starr County shortly after his arrival at Rio Grande City last week. Chavez said the picketing would remain halted while the union attempts to file some legal actions."

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FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P)

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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San Antonio, Texas

June 14, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE
IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The June 13, 1967, edition of the Valley Evening Monitor, a daily newspaper published in McAllen, Texas, carries an article captioned "Senate Group Resets Valley Labor Hearing", which states the Senate Subcommittee on Migratory Labor has rescheduled hearings in the Texas Rio Grande Valley for June 28, 1967.

The hearings, originally scheduled for May 25, 1967, were rescheduled at the request of Walter Ruther, President of United Auto Workers. The Subcommittee will meet in Rio Grande City and Edinburg, Texas, and, headed by Senator Harrison A. Williams, Jr., Democrat, New Jersey, will include Senators Edward M. Kennedy, Democrat, Massachusetts; Gay Lord Nelson, Democrat, Wisconsin; Robert F. Kennedy, Democrat, New York; George Murphy, Republican, California; and Paul Fannin, Republican, Arizona.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762) DATE: 6/21/67

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO, aka National Farm Workers Association MISCELLANEOUS-INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Re San Antonio airtel to the Bureau, 5/27/67.

Referenced airtel noted that captioned organization has become active in the Rio Grande Valley area and is involved in organizational and strike activities in Rio Grande City, Texas, directed against the fruit and vegetable producers. San Antonio noted that some of the leaders of the group were active in United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) matters in the Los Angeles area and during the so-called Delano Grape Strike activities at Delano, California, in 1964.

As the San Antonio Division is aware, the Bureau, by letter dated 3/22/67 captioned, "UNSUBS; United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, La Casita Farms, Incorporated - VICTIM, AR", noted that in 1966 the UFWOC merged with the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA). The Criminal Division of the Department of Justice was advised that the Bureau had received considerable information which in turn was furnished to the Department relating to communist infiltration of the NFWA and various demonstrations by such organizations in connection with its efforts to organize farm workers in Texas and California.

The Bureau concluded its memorandum by stating that no specific investigation was being requested at this time, but each Office should insure that any incidents which might arise relating to organizational attempts or other activities by the UFWOC be promptly submitted to the Bureau.

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In this connection the Los Angeles Division has made every effort to keep the Bureau fully apprised of any marches or demonstrations instigated or sponsored by the UFWOC.

San Antonio by referenced airtel dated 5/27/67 pointed out that the following individuals, all of whom have been active in the UFWOC at Rio Grande City, were believed to have been active at Delano, California. There follows herewith a summation of the information available concerning each of the individuals so named:

1. EUGENE NELSON, age 37 years, white male, UFWOC Organizer.

The files of the Los Angeles Division contain no further information concerning NELSON that is not already in possession of the San Antonio Office.

2. WILLIAM CHANDLER, age 30 years.

[redacted]

No further information is available in this matter concerning him.

3. DOMINGO ARREDONDO, age 31 years, white male, President, UFWOC, Rio Grande City, Texas.

The indices of the Los Angeles Office contain no information concerning ARREDONDO.

4. GILBERTO PADILLA, white male, about 35 years, National Vice President, UFWOC.

The indices of the Los Angeles Division contain several references pertaining to GIL PADILLA all of which connect him with the NFWA, Delano, California.

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• PADILLA of the NFWA spoke at the Annual Festival of all Nationalities which was sponsored by the Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights (See Appendix) on 6/12/66 at 330 South Ford Boulevard, Los Angeles (Source: [redacted] to SA [redacted].

• PADILLA spoke before the Fellowship for Social Justice meeting on 5/6/66 at the First Unitarian Church of Los Angeles, 2936 West 8th Street, Los Angeles (See Appendix) (Source: [redacted] SA [redacted]

PADILLA spoke before the Los Angeles Socialist Workers Party (SWP) forum at 1702 East 4th Street on 6/3/66 on the topic, "The Grape Strikers - How they are Building a Movement". PADILLA was introduced as the Vice President of the NFWA and the individual actively leading the grape strikers' boycott in Southern California. He recounted the history of the strike and the grievances of the strikers. Attendance at the meeting was disappointing, according to its sponsors.

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

(Source: [redacted] to SA [redacted]

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On 11/10/66 the files of the [redacted] were found to contain no

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information identifiable with PADILLA. Moreover, the Tulare County Telephone Directory and Visalia City Directory did not mention PADILLA nor did the files of the [redacted] for Tulare County or the City of Visalia.

There is being enclosed herewith for the information of the San Antonio Division a xerox copy of a report which was furnished to the Los Angeles Office on 6/16/67 by [redacted]. Pertinent portions of this report, which was obtained by SA [redacted], may be used in a report providing the informant is fully protected by appropriate "T" symbol. The original is located in Los Angeles [redacted]

The "Los Angeles Times", a large, daily, morning, metropolitan, Los Angeles newspaper, on 6/9/67 published an article concerning a forthcoming report to be issued by the California State Senate Sub-Committee on Un-American Activities which concerns itself in part with the 1966 Delano, California Grape Strike.

Senator HUGH M. BURNS, Chairman, said the report would indicate that there was some communist influence present during the 1966 Delano Grape Strike but "it was not a subversive activity as a whole". He told a press conference that the Delano situation "lent itself to participation by radicals and extremists". He added that Sub-Committee observers on the scene reported "indications of communist influence" and "individuals with subversive records present. But to say it was conducted by the Communist Party would not be correct." He noted that the strike had been called in a wake of a drive by the AFL-CIO, UFWOC led by CESAR CHAVEZ. He noted that CHAVEZ has conceded the organization includes some radicals but he insisted that there number was too small to affect policy.

The Los Angeles Division will attempt to secure sufficient number of copies of the Sub-Committee's report upon its release at which time the Bureau and San Antonio Division will be furnished the report.

As the San Antonio Division is aware, SAM KUSHNER, Los Angeles Editor, "People's World", has been in the Rio Grande City area and has filed reports with the "People's

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World" concerning the developments in that area. The Los Angeles Office does not know of any other individuals from this area with known communist backgrounds other than KUSHNER in the Rio Grande area at this time.

There is being submitted herewith for the information of the San Antonio Division a xerox copy entitled, "A Summary Outline of a Method of Organizing" by BOB SOLODOW, which is based in part on the teachings of CESAR CHAVEZ and FRED ROSS dated October, 1966. This summary was furnished to SA [redacted] of the Los Angeles Division by [redacted] on 4/19/67 and is filed in Los Angeles [redacted].

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APPENDIX

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES

A source advised on July 25, 1966, that the premises of the First Unitarian Church of Los Angeles, 2936 West 8th Street, Los Angeles, California, have been utilized for meetings by Communist Party members and sympathizers over a period of years. Speakers and lecturers at the church frequently espouse Communist causes or follow the Communist Party line. Communist front group literature is distributed at the church. The church is used by some Communist Party members for "mass concentration" work.

This same infiltration extends to adjuncts of the church such as the Unitarian Public Forum and the Fellowship for Social Justice, formerly known as the Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship for Social Justice.

STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN has been minister of the church since 1948.

Reverend STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN is described in the Fourth Report, Un-American Activities Committee in California, 1948, page 115, as a very active "Communist fronter" and connected with numerous "Communist front organizations and activities."

Membership in the First Unitarian Church does not, of itself, connote membership in or sympathy with the Communist Party.

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APPENDIX

LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE FOR DEFENSE OF THE BILL OF RIGHTS.
formerly known as Los Angeles Committee for
Protection of Foreign Born, Los Angeles Committee for
Defense of the Bill of Rights and Protection of Foreign Born

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations", revised December 1, 1961, pp. 103-104, describes this committee as follows:

1. "A 'branch' of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born found to be under the 'actual management, direction and supervision' of Communist Party members. The Los Angeles Committee was reorganized in October, 1950, and reported that it 'shall be affiliated to the national organization known as the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born ***' The American Committee and the 'various area or local committees * * * constitute * * * one organization within the meaning of the * * * statute (Internal Security Act)' under which the Subversive Activities Control Board found the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born to be a 'Communist-front organization' and ordered it to register as such with the Attorney General."

(Subversive Activities Control Board, Docket No. 109-53. Report and Order with respect to the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, June 27, 1960, pp. -1, 6, 12, and 51.)

2. "Cited as a 'regional' organization of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born and one of its 'most complex affiliates.' 'The Committee on Un-American Activities found that in early publications the local affiliates frankly identified themselves as chapters of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born'; their representation of themselves as independent groups came only after enactment of the Internal Security Act which would have required them, as affiliates, to register as Communist-front organizations'.

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LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE FOR DEFENSE OF THE BILL OF RIGHTS, formerly known as Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights and Protection of Foreign Born

"Control of the local organizations * * * was made possible primarily by virtue of the fact that the leaders of the local group were Communist Party members and therefore, subject to the discipline of the Party * * * The local affiliates * * * were actually little more than administrative staffs, whose purpose it was to implement the program of the Communist Party in their respective areas.

"The Lamp of January, 1950, reported that the Los Angeles Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born had been established on November 29, 1949. Publicly identified Communist ROSE CHERNIN served as 'the operation head' since the time of its organization.

"(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1192 on Communist Political Subversion, August 16, 1957, pp. 86, 87, 55, 33, 54, 38, and 59; also cited in Annual Report for 1956, House Report #53, February 11, 1957, p. 5.)"

The "People's World", a West Coast communist newspaper, issue of 4/23/66, contained an account of results of the 16th Annual Conference of the Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights and Protection of Foreign Born which was held 4/16/66. The accomplishments include a change of name for the organization to Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights, inasmuch as Defense of the Bill of Rights is all inclusive.

A source advised on 4/25/66 that the Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights, still referred to by many individuals as the Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, is currently active in the Los Angeles area.

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W.E.B. DU BOIS CLUBS OF AMERICA (DCA)

A source has advised that on October 26-27, 1963, a conference of members of the Communist Party (CP), including national functionaries, met in Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of setting in motion forces for the establishment of a new national Marxist-oriented youth organization which would hunt for the most peaceful transition to socialism. The delegates were told that it would be reasonable to assume that the young socialists attracted into this new organization would eventually pass into the CP itself.

A second source has advised that the founding convention for the new youth organization was held from June 19-21, 1964, at 150 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California, at which time the name W.E.B. Du Bois Clubs of America (DCA) was adopted. Approximately 500 delegates from throughout the United States attended this convention. The aims of this organization, as set forth in the preamble to the constitution, are: "It is our belief that this nation can best solve its problems in an atmosphere of peaceful coexistence, complete disarmament and true freedom for all peoples of the world, and that these solutions will be reached mainly through the united efforts of all democratic elements in our country, composed essentially of the working people allied in the unity of Negroes and other minorities with whites. We further fully recognize that the greatest threat to American democracy comes from the racist and right wing forces in coalition with the most reactionary sections of the economic power structure, using the tool of anti-Communism to divide and destroy the unified struggle of the working people."

Over the Labor Day weekend, 1965, the DCA held a conference in Chicago, Illinois, and a new slate of officers was elected to the National Executive Committee (NEC) of the DCA. Since Labor Day, 1965, identities of those serving on the NEC has varied; however, according to a third source as of May, 1966, thirteen of the fifteen members of the NEC were members of the CP in the San Francisco Bay area.

As of July, 1966, the headquarters of the DCA was located at 180 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Antonio, Texas

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

June 16, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The June 15, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published in Harlingen, Texas, carries an article on Page 1 captioned, "Texas Rangers Start Pullout From Starr," which states that a spokesman from the office of Texas Governor John Connally had announced the previous day that Texas Ranger Captain A. Y. Allee had begun withdrawing Texas Rangers from Starr County since, in his judgment, things had quieted down enough to do this.

The same newspaper carries a second article on its front page captioned, "Attorney General Asked to Send Federal Marshals to Valley," which stated that Domingo Arredondo, President of the Rio Grande City Chapter of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) had, on the previous day, directed a telegram to U. S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark requesting Federal Marshals be sent to the Rio Grande Valley to protect UFWOC members and their families from "the intimidation, violence, and violation of our constitutional rights by local law enforcement agencies and the Texas Rangers."

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RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM captioned as above which are suitable for dissemination.

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San Antonio, Texas

June 30, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The June 28, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas, carries an article on its front page captioned "Suit Is Filed On Rangers" which states that a suit seeking an injunction against Texas Rangers and Starr County, Texas, law enforcement officers and charging violation of civil rights had been filed in Federal District Court at Brownsville, Texas.

Plaintiffs in the suit are the Texas Council of Churches, a Reverend Edgar Krueger and his wife Mrs. Esther Krueger of Pharr, Texas, Alejandro Moreno, Jr. of Mercedes, Texas, and Manuel Becerra, Jr., of San Benito, Texas. Defendants in the suit were named as Ranger Captain Alfred Y. Allee, Rangers Jack Van Cleve and Tyler Dawson, Dr. Rene A. Solis, Sheriff of Starr County, and Roberto Pena and Raul Pena, Starr County Deputy Sheriffs.

The June 29, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, supra, contains an article on its front page captioned "Senators Set to Open Valley Hearings Today" which article states Senator Harrison Williams, (Republican, New Jersey), and Senator Ralph Yarborough (Democrat, Texas) had arrived in Harlingen, Texas, on the previous evening in connection with hearings to be held in the Rio Grande Valley by the Senate Sub-Committee on migratory labor. These hearings are scheduled for June 29 and 30, 1967.

The same edition of the Valley Morning Star also carried an article on its front page captioned "Order Bans All La Casita Picketing" which states that State District Judge C. W. Laughlin at Rio Grande City, Texas, on June 28,

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1967, had issued a temporary injunction prohibiting all picketing at La Casita Farms, which firm had been a principal target of organizing activities of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee.

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San Antonio, Texas

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

June 27, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The June 20, 1967, edition of the San Antonio Light, a daily newspaper published at San Antonio, Texas, carried an article on Page 12 captioned "Three Unionists Meet Connally," which states that Gilbert Padilla, a vice president of the United Farm Organizing Committee, Pancho Medrano of the United Auto Workers, and H. A. Moon of Dallas, also of the United Auto Workers, met with Texas Governor John Connally on the previous day at Austin, Texas, to discuss the Rio Grande Valley farm labor situation.

According to the article, Padilla said Connally rejected his suggestion that the Governor make a statement urging a union representation election supervised by the National Arbitration Association at La Casita Farms, Rio Grande City.

The article quoted Moon as saying that the Governor had said he was neutral in the dispute, as are the Texas Rangers assigned in the Rio Grande City area.

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MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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San Antonio, Texas

July 6, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The June 30, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas, carries an article on page one captioned "U.S. Senators Show Favor to Unionizing" which states members of the Senate Sub-Committee on Migratory Labor holding hearings on the previous day at Rio Grande City, Texas, showed open favor to unionizing farm labor and that most of the session was given to contentions from union members that Texas Rangers used brutality in making arrests during the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) organizing campaign in Starr County, Texas.

The same newspaper carried a second article on page one captioned "Sub Panel Men Rated Mostly Labor-Liberal" which states that the Americans for Democratic Action (ADA) in 1966 rated Senator Ted Kennedy (Democrat, Massachusetts) as having voted "right" one hundred per cent of the time. The rated Senator Harrison Williams (Democrat, New Jersey), Chairman of the above-mentioned Senate Sub-Committee, as having voted "right" nine-five per cent of the time. They rated a third member of the Sub-Committee, Senator Paul Fannin (Republican, Arizona) as having never voted "right".

The article states that COPE, the political action arm of the AFL-CIO, rated Senator Ted Kennedy's performance during 1966 as one hundred per cent right; Senator Williams' performance also was rated as having voted one hundred per cent right; while Senator Fannin was rated as having never voted right.

The article stated the above ratings are based on key issues selected by the ratings agencies themselves.

The July 1, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Star, supra, carries an article on page one captioned "Starr Officials, Allee Target of Williams" which states that Senator Harrison Williams, supra, Chairman of the Senate Sub-Committee on Migratory Labor, on completion of hearings at Edinburg, Texas, on June 30, 1967, had stated he planned to turn the transcript of the hearings over to the Justice Department for study in regarding alleged injustices to members of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee.

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1 - DeLoach
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MR. DeLOACH

July 7, 1967

S. B. DONAHOE

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Mrs. Mildred Stegall called from the White House this afternoon. She advised that Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President, is under the impression that the FBI has investigated and prepared a report on a series of incidents involving farm workers in Rio Grande City, Texas. I told Mrs. Stegall that I had no recollection of any overall investigation of this situation but that I would check and we would send over a memorandum.

As a matter of background, the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, also known as the National Farm Workers Association, has been involved in organizational and strike activities in Rio Grande City for some time directed against fruit and vegetable producers. We have received and disseminated considerable data regarding this situation. We have also conducted several civil rights inquiries as a result of allegations of mistreatment and denial of civil rights by law enforcement officers in connection with the strike of fam workers in that area.

ACTION:

The General Investigative Division should prepare a concise, factual memorandum reviewing the background of this situation in Rio Grande City, indicating the extent and nature of our investigative activity in connection with the situation. A cover letter should be prepared to Mrs. Stegall forwarding the memorandum in response to her request. This should be expedited.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: July 10, 1967

FROM : A. Rosen

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. McDonough
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Wick
1 - Mr. Bolz

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING
FARM WORKERS STRIKE
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Attached for approval is a letter to Mrs. Mildred Stegall of the White House Staff, enclosing a letterhead memorandum setting forth information pertaining to the Farm Workers Strike situation in Rio Grande City, Texas.

On the afternoon of 7/7/67, Mrs. Stegall contacted Mr. Donahoe in Mr. DeLoach's Office and stated that Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President, is under the impression that the FBI investigated and prepared a report on a series of incidents involving farm workers in Rio Grande City, Texas. Mrs. Stegall was advised by Mr. Donahoe that he would check on it and a memorandum would be sent over.

Enclosed memorandum to be furnished Mrs. Stegall sets forth information as to the background of the strike situation in Rio Grande City, Texas, which had its origins in the Southern California area when the National Farm Workers Association in September, 1965, joined a strike against local grape growers. Inquiries conducted by the Bureau disclosed that the National Farm Workers Association was not controlled by communists, but some of its activities relative to the strike against the grape growers were communist supported.

In May, 1966, Eugene Nelson of the National Farm Workers Association was organizing farm workers in Rio Grande City, Texas, assisted by Charles McKinley Smith, [redacted] From 7/4/66 through Labor Day 9/5/66, about one-hundred members of the National Farm Workers Association marched from Rio Grande City to Austin, Texas, to

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protest low wages paid to grape pickers, and since that time the strikers have engaged in a number of protest marches, auto caravans, and other incidents which have received publicity in that area.

The Department and other agencies have been kept apprised on a current basis of developments obtained by the Bureau through sources and news media. No active investigation has been requested by the Department in connection with the strike situation under the Anti-Racketeering Statute. The civil rights investigations conducted of allegations against law enforcement officers arising out of the strike situation in Rio Grande City have all been completed and results submitted to the Department for consideration.

ACTION:

If approved, the attached letter to Mrs. Stegall with its enclosed letterhead memorandum will be forwarded.

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1 - Mr. DeLoach
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1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. McDonough
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
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July 11, 1967

BY LIAISON

National Farm Workers Association

Mrs. Mildred Stegall
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Stegall:

With reference to the conversation between Mr. Sterling B. Donahoe and you on July 7, 1967, forwarded herewith is a memorandum containing information relating to activities in connection with the strike of farm workers in the Rio Grande City, Texas, area which may be of interest.

While no active investigation has been requested by the Department of Justice in connection with the strike situation under the Anti-Racketeering Statute, the Department and other agencies have been kept apprised of information of interest to them on a current basis relative to developments obtained by this Bureau from sources and news media. In addition, this Bureau has conducted several civil rights investigations based on allegations of mistreatment as well as other deprivations of civil rights allegedly suffered by striking farm workers at the hands of law enforcement officers. The results of such investigations have been furnished to the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice.

The Attorney General has not been provided a copy of this communication.

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Upon removal of the classified enclosure, this transmittal letter becomes unclassified.

Sincerely yours,

Delivered to Mildred Stegall on 7/11/67

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NOTE: See Rosen to DeLoach memorandum dated 7/10/67, captioned, "Activities Concerning Farm Workers Strike, Rio Grande City, Texas, Information Concerning," EJM:wjc.

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July 10, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

Background:

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past has advised that on September 8, 1965, the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO, declared a strike against grape growers of Tulare and Kern Counties, California. On September 19, 1965, the National Farm Workers Association joined the strike. This action brought Mexican and Puerto Rican farm workers into the labor dispute. The purpose of the strike was to demand an increase in wages for the grape pickers. (100-444762-72)

In response to an allegation that various officials of the National Farm Workers Association in the Delano, California, area had subversive backgrounds, inquiries were made by this Bureau which disclosed that while the union was not Communist controlled, Communist Party members or sympathizers had furnished support to certain activities concerning the strike against grape growers in California. (100-444762-48, 32)

During May and June of 1966, Eugene Nelson of the National Farm Workers Association was organizing farm workers in the Rio Grande City, Texas, area. Nelson reportedly had previously been active in organizing grape pickers in Delano, California. During the first few days of organizing activity in Rio Grande City, Nelson was assisted by Charles McKinley Smith. Smith is a resident of Austin, Texas. [redacted]

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NOTE: See Rosen to DeLoach memorandum, dated 7/10/67, captioned, "Activities Concerning Farm Workers Strike, Rio Grande City, Texas, Information Concerning," EJM:wjc.

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

On July 4, 1966, about one-hundred members of the National Farm Workers Association began a march at Rio Grande City, Texas, which was terminated on Labor Day, September 5, 1966, at Austin, Texas. The purpose of this march was to protest low wages paid to migrant farm workers. (100-444762-44,73)

On October 24, 1966, Eugene Nelson and a group of strikers proceeded to the center of the International Bridge spanning the Rio Grande River between Roma, Texas, and Ciudad Miguel Aleman, Mexico, where they stopped vehicles carrying farm laborers into the United States thus blocking traffic. Nelson was arrested after which about fifteen members of the group lay down on the bridge completely blocking traffic, and they were also arrested. (100-444762-74,75)

During 1966, the National Farm Workers Association merged with the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee and retained the latter name.

On February 1, 1967, the Starr County Sheriff's Office, Rio Grande City, Texas, arrested ten individuals on charges of disturbing the peace when they entered the La Casita Farms and harassed non-union workers. Reportedly two of those arrested were connected with the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC). Subsequently, during the spring and summer of 1967, there has been a series of incidents including the alleged harassment of non-union workers by members of the UFWOC. In one incident in May of 1967, Eugene Nelson was arrested at Rio Grande City, Texas, after he allegedly threatened Texas Rangers by stating there would be some dead rangers unless they left the UFWOC pickets alone. Nelson was jailed in lieu of a two-thousand-dollar bond. (100-444762-104)

The Department of Justice and other government agencies have been kept apprised of pertinent information regarding this situation of interest to them which has come to the attention of this Bureau through news media and other sources. No investigation under the Anti-Racketeering Statute has been requested by the Department in connection with this situation. However, a number of civil rights inquiries have been conducted based on complaints of alleged mistreatment and denial of civil rights by law enforcement officials in connection with the strike situation in the Rio Grande City, Texas, area. The results of these investigations are summarized hereunder.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - DeLoach
1 - Sullivan
1 - Rosen
1 - McGowan

TO : MR. DeLOACH

DATE: July 12, 1967

FROM : S. B. DONAHOE

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
INFORMATION CONCERNING

By letter July 11, 1967, we furnished Mrs. Stegall at the White House a memorandum tracing the background of the situation in connection with the strike of farm workers in the Rio Grande City, Texas area. Marvin Watson, Special Assistant to the President, had indicated an interest in such data.

Mrs. Stegall called from the White House this morning to express appreciation for the memorandum. She advised that Mr. Watson, in reviewing it, had noted that during the early days of the organizing activity in Rio Grande City, Charles M. Smith, was a participant. Smith was described as a resident of Austin, Texas [redacted]

Mrs. Stegall advised that Mr. Watson had requested that the Bureau furnish him additional data as to the background of Smith, his participation in subversive activities and the extent of his participation in the situation at Rio Grande City.

ACTION:

The Domestic Intelligence Division is preparing appropriate data.

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO (100-42662) (P)

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, PAMPHLET DISTRIBUTION, FEDERAL BUILDING, DEARBORN AND ADAMS, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. INFORMATION CONCERNING.

[redacted] ADVISED INSTANT SIX UNKNOWN INDIVIDUALS, THREE WHITE MALES, THREE WHITE FEMALES, WERE OBSERVED PASSING OUT PAMPHLETS IN VICINITY OF FEDERAL BUILDING, DEARBORN AND ADAMS, CHICAGO, FROM FIVE THIRTY PM TO SIX THIRTY PM. PURPOSE OF PAMPHLETS WAS TO ENCOURAGE PUBLIC TO WRITE SECRETARY OF LABOR WIRTZ OR ATTORNEY GENERAL CLARK PROTESTING ATTEMPT BY CALIFORNIA GROWERS TO BREAK FARM WORKERS UNION THROUGH USE OF MEXICAN NATIONALS, ALIENS WITH WORK PERMITS.

AREA REMAINED PEACEFUL, NO INCIDENTS.

USA, MILITARY, SECRET SERVICE, ADVISED.

LHM FOLLOWS.

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3:35 PM URGENT 8-10-67 CSM

TO DIRECTOR (~~100-444762~~)

FROM LOS ANGELES (100-67449) (P) 2P

REC 8

COMINFIL OF UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE - AFL-CIO, DELANO, CALIF., IS-C.

FOR ABOUT ONE AND ONE HALF HOURS DURING A.M. TODAY, CESAR CHAVEZ, DIRECTOR, UFWOC, AND ABOUT ONE HUNDRED FIFTY UNION MEMBERS PICKETED FRONT ENTRANCE OF FEDERAL BUILDING, BAKERSFIELD, CALIF, CARRYING SIGNS RE CURRENT STRIKE AT GIUMARRA FARMS, INC., EDISON, CALIF.

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

LA LOO-67449

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PICKETING WAS ORDERLY AND NO INCIDENTS. LOCAL NEWS COVERAGE AFFORDED PICKETING.

AIRTEL LHM FOLLOWS.

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CC- MR SULLIVAN

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FBI

Date: 8/11/67

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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662)(C)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION, PAMPHLET DISTRIBUTION, FEDERAL BUILDING, DEARBORN AND ADAMS, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Chicago teletype to Director dated 8/10/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

Inasmuch as this is a single incident, no further investigation will be conducted by the Chicago Office.

Copies of this LHM are being furnished to the U.S. Attorney, Chicago, U.S. Secret Service, Chicago, and Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

3 - Bureau (Enc. 11) ENCLOSURE
2 - Chicago
(1 - 157-413)

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2cc RAO CRIM. DIV. by O-6
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Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois
August 11, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 100-42[illegible]

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION,
PAMPHLET DISTRIBUTION, FEDERAL
BUILDING, DEARBORN AND ADAMS,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On August 10, 1967, [redacted], advised that six unknown individuals, three white males and three white females, were observed passing out pamphlets in the vicinity of the Federal Building from 5:30 p.m., to 6:30 p.m. He stated the purpose of the pamphlets was to encourage the public to write Secretary of Labor Wirtz or Attorney General Clark protesting attempt by California growers to break Farm Workers Union through the use of Mexican nationals, aliens, with work permits. [redacted] also advised that there were no disturbances or incidents and that to his knowledge no arrests were made.

Attached herewith is a copy of the throwaway pamphlet passed out during the above period.

A copy of this memorandum is being furnished to the following agencies:

United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois

U.S. Secret Service, Chicago, Illinois

Region I, 113th Military Intelligence Group,
Evanston, Illinois

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ENCLOSURE

MEXICAN NATIONALS ARE BREAKING THE DELANO STRIKE OF THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO !!

After being on strike since September 1965 and after winning three major contracts, the Delano farm workers must contend with thousands of illegal strike breakers. The powerful California growers are attempting to break the strike with Mexican Nationals. Right now they are recruiting "green card holders," aliens with work permits, in Calexico, California. Once across the border, they will be sent to Delano's grape fields.

On July 10, 1967 a Justice Department regulation (Number 8CFR211.1 to Public Law 414, the Naturalization and Immigration Act of 1952) prohibited the use of green card holders when the Secretary of Labor declared a labor dispute exists. The California Labor Department, an agent of the U.S. Labor Department, has certified that bona fide labor disputes exist in Delano.

This attempt by growers to break a union must be stopped. Won't you please help by telegraming or writing Secretary of Labor Wirtz c/o U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, D. C. or Attorney General Ramsey Clark c/o U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. or contact your Congressman. This could mean the life or death of the Delano Movement. We need your help to secure justice for the workers in the fields. Please help us before it is too late.

ENCLOSURE

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FBI

Date: 8/11/67

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Via AIRTEL REGISTERED AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-67449)(P)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
AFL - CIO
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
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Re Los Angeles tel to Bureau, 8/10/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are original and six copies of LHM entitled "PICKETING OF FEDERAL BUILDING, BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA, AUGUST 10, 1967, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL - CIO."

One copy each of LHM is being forwarded to U.S. Secret Service, Los Angeles, and Region II, 115th MI Group, Pasadena, California, and USA, Sacramento.

No further action being taken in this matter.

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION.

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(3)-Bureau (Enc. 7)
1-Los Angeles
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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Los Angeles, California
August 11, 1967

PICKETING OF FEDERAL BUILDING
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA,
AUGUST 10, 1967, BY UNITED
FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,
AFL - CIO

Between approximately 9:20 a.m. and 9:30 a.m., August 10, 1967, approximately 150 persons representing the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO, (hereinafter referred to as UFWOC), main headquarters, Delano, California, appeared at the main entrance to the Federal Building, 800 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California, and began an orderly and peaceful picket operation lead by Cesar Chavez, Director of UFWOC. Participants carried picket signs, some of which read "Huelga, Giumarra, UFWOC-AFL-CIO," "Wet Backs Break our Strike," "Throw Out Wet Back Scabs," "Imigrate Enforce the Law," and "Justice Now for Foreign Workers."

Members of the Bakersfield Police Department were notified and on hand, but there were no incidents in connection with the picketing and all activity ceased when the participants left the vicinity of the Federal Building at 10:45 a.m., August 10, 1967.

Approximately one week ago, UFWOC went on strike at Giumarra Farms, Inc., of Edison, California, and currently maintain picket lines at this location, although a recent local court injunction has limited the number of participants in the picket line at any given time. The purpose of the strike is allegedly to force Giumarra to recognize UFWOC as the bargaining agent for farmyard and packing shed workers.

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PICKETING OF FEDERAL BUILDING, BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA, AUGUST 10, 1967, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO

[redacted]

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PICKETING OF FEDERAL BUILDING, BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA, AUGUST 10, 1967, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO

[redacted]

[redacted], Special Agent, 115th Military Intelligence Group, Bakersfield, is aware of this matter.

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FBI

Date: 8/15/67

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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P)

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING
FARM WORKERS' STRIKE AT
RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING [redacted]

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are seven copies of an LHM captioned as above which are suitable for dissemination.

Inasmuch as information contained in LHM represents part of a continuing political-labor dispute, San Antonio is following through established sources.

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(3) - Bureau (Enc. 7) (RM)
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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

San Antonio, Texas

August 15, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS'
STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The August 14, 1967, edition of The Valley Evening Monitor, a daily newspaper published at McAllen, Texas, carries an article captioned "PASO Calls For End To Rangers, Connally Defeat", which article states that at a convention of the Political Association of Spanish Speaking Organizations (PASO) at Austin, Texas, on August 13, 1967, a resolution was adopted opposing the renomination of Texas Governor John Connally for a fourth term. The resolution stated Governor Connally sent Texas Rangers to the Rio Grande Valley to serve as "strike breaking thugs" in the farm labor dispute there, and the Rangers have shown they lack the necessary intelligence required to deal with human beings.

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Memorandum

FROM : SAC, San Antonio (Your file 62-3269) DATE: 8/10/67

TO : Director, FBI (Bufile and Serial 100-444762) ☒ Post in file and destroy 0-1 (For SOG use only)

Room No. 904 9&D

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC) MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reurairtel 5/27/67

☐ 1. Bufiles indicate this case is delinquent. Give specific reason for delinquency.

☒ Matter represents legitimate labor-Political dispute and being followed through established sources. Airtel & LHM submitted 8/15/67.

☐ 2. DATE ☐ airtel ☐ report ☐ letter ☐ letterhead memo ☐ 90-day progress letter ☐ submitted ☐ will be submitted

Reporting employee SA [redacted]

☐ 3. If valid reason exists for not submitting report at this time, state reason specifically and when report will be submitted

☒ 4. Status of ☐ Appeal ☐ Inquiry ☒ Investigation ☐ Prosecution

☐ 5. Submit ☐ airtel ☐ report ☐ letter ☐ letterhead memo ☐ 90-day progress letter by (Date)

(Place reply hereon and return to Bureau. Note receipt and acknowledgment on top serial in case file.)

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Date: 8/29/67

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS' STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are seven copies of an LHM captioned as above which are suitable for dissemination.

Since information contained in LHM represents part of a continuing labor-political dispute, it is being followed through established sources.

3 - Bureau (Encs. 7)(RM)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

San Antonio, Texas

August 29, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM
WORKERS' STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE
CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION
CONCERNING

The August 27, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas, carries an article on page one captioned, "Farm Union Official Who Accused Texas Rangers Held in Marijuana Case", which article states that Magdaleno Dimas, an official of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC), was being held in jail in Torreon, Mexico, on a charge of possession of marijuana.

The article states Dimas and another member of the UFWOC, Oracio Carrillo, of Corpus Christi, Texas, were arrested in a hotel room at Torreon, Mexico, the night of August 23, 1967, with 26 small packets of marijuana in their possession.

Gilbert Padilla, Vice President of the UFWOC at Rio Grande City, Texas, according to the article, had stated that Union will probably consider Dimas' arrest a personal matter unless he was arrested illegally or the drugs were planted.

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12:06 PM URGENT 9/1/67 DAW

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE, RIO GRANDE [redacted] CITY, TEXAS. MISCELLANEOUS-INFORMATION CONCERNING.

TODAY [redacted] ADVISED ON EVENING AUGUST THIRTYONE, LAST, RALLY WAS HELD AT NEW BRAUNFELS, TO CREATE INTEREST IN MARCH TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, STARTING SEPTEMBER ONE, INSTANT, TO DRAMATIZE NEED TO RAISE STANDARD OF LIVING OF WORKERS IN RIO GRANDE VALLEY IN TEXAS. APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED PERSONS ATTENDED THIS RALLY.

SHORTLY AFTER SEVEN AM TODAY, THE MARCHERS LEFT NEW BRAUNFELS, EN ROUTE TO AUSTIN. MARCH CONSISTED OF SOME TWELVE PERSONS. MARCH WILL CONCLUDE LABOR DAY IN AUSTIN, TEXAS, WHERE RALLY IS PLANNED.

THERE WERE NO INCIDENTS. LOCAL AUTHORITIES PRESENT. SECRET SERVICE COGNIZANT. LHM FOLLOWS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

OO: San Antonio

Re San Antonio teletype to the Bureau 9/1/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are seven copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination.

Local dissemination has been made to Secret Service, San Antonio and Austin; NISO; OSI; and 112th Military Intelligence Group.

[redacted]

Since this march represents a part of a continuing labor-political dispute, it is being followed through established sources.

The Bureau will be kept advised by LHM; however, if any incidents occur, the Bureau will be advised by teletype.

3 - Bureau (Encs. 7)(RM)
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57 Approved: S.C. Bishop
Special Agent in Charge

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"It may have swelled to 200 before the night was over.

"The rally was set to whip up interest in the march starting at 7 a.m. Friday in New Braunfels and winding up Labor Day in Austin.

"Among speakers Andrade said would be on hand who didn't show were San Antonio's State Sen. Joe Bernal, former State Sen. Franklin Spears, Fr. Antonio Gonzalez, one of the leaders of last year's march, and Dr. Hector Garcia, founder of the American G. I. Forum. In fact, Andrade and Rev. James Navarro, the other leader of the 1966 march which wound up with a massive rally in Austin, were left to perform the speaking chores.

"Andrade unveiled two huge granite markers, one proclaiming 'Here Lies The Arrogance of the Texas Governor, Sept. 1, 1966,' and the other reading 'Es Mejor Morir de Pie que Vivir de Rodillas!' (It is better to die on your feet than to live on your knees.) The first inscription referred to Gov. John Connally's and former Atty. Gen. Waggoner Carr's confrontation with the marchers in New Braunfels in 1966.

"Andrade explained to the crowd that both Bernal and Spears had told him they would be present.

"Ruben Ruiz, state chairman of the American GI Forum, told the group he could not at this time commit the Forum to the march. Mike Ferdin, a member of the GI Forum and also a representative of the Bexar County Equal Employment Opportunity Council, retorted that was the first time the Forum was unable to commit itself to a cause of benefit to the Mexican-American people, and he assured that there would be representatives of the BCEEOC on the march.

"The Forum failure to stand with the marchers, which position may be changed as the march progresses, also triggered Fr. Sherrill Smith to remark that he's a member

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"of the Forum and that he doesn't know why it or any other organization would hesitate to support the march.

"'One last little thing, my brothers,' Smith asserted. 'Until you get over being afraid of your own shadows, you're going to be walking in the shadows.' Smith did not make a speech.

"Andrade explained the theme of the march is 'Progress, Not Poverty,' and the marchers seek $1.25 an hour minimum wage plus interest.

"Navarro, who got out of a sick bed to attend the meeting and left afterwards for a hospital and blood transfusion, told his listeners they should register to vote in 1968. He described the poll tax as a shotgun for bear hunting.

"'Let's go bear hunting in 1968,' Navarro said. "'Let's get some top officials in Austin that will lead us.'

"Navarro implored supporters not to let the spirit of the march die, and he described the march of 1966 as 'the greatest thing the Mexican-Americans ever had in the state of Texas.'

"The Houston minister said the Mexican-American is tired of being a reservoir of cheap labor for the state of Texas, and wants the same social, economic, and political opportunities enjoyed by every other citizen as guaranteed by the constitution. He urged that the 1967 march be a replica of the 1966 parade to Austin from Rio Grande City.

"Reporting he is not an advocate of violence, Navarro said violence is not the pathway to freedom and to social, political, and economic justice. He added the Mexican-American wants advancement and progress and knows he can secure it within the framework of the law of the land. He said the 1966 march was a virtual revolution in

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"that it kindled hope and caused elected officials to become more representative. Navarro discounted any significance in the relatively small crowd at the rally, pointing out the 1966 march started with only a handful and wound up with 20,000 to 25,000 at the Austin rally.

Among other groups represented were the Political Association of Spanish-Speaking Organizations, Lulac Council No. 2, and the Federation for the Advancement of the Mexican-American. Among other San Antonians present were Pete Tijerina, Tom Cahill, Laverne Redwine, and Joe Guerra, Jr., vice-chairman of the Bexar County Republican Party. New Braunfels Mayor Elliot Knox welcomed the group to the city.

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Date: 9/5/67

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Via AIRTEL REGISTERED MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE, RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

OO: San Antonio

Re San Antonio airtel to the Bureau 9/1/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an LHM concerning captioned matter suitable for dissemination.

Local dissemination has been made to Secret Service, San Antonio and Austin, NISO, OSI, and 112th Military Intelligence Group.

Information copies furnished Albuquerque and Chicago inasmuch as enclosed LHM referred to REIES TIJERINA of the Federal Alliance of Free City States in New Mexico as having attended the Conference for New Politics at Chicago, Illinois.

3 - Bureau (Enc. 10)(RM)
4 - Albuquerque (Info) (RM)
(1 - [redacted])(1 - [redacted]
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2 - Chicago (Info)(RM)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

San Antonio, Texas

September 5, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM
WORKERS STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE,
CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION
CONCERNING

Reference is made to FBI San Antonio memorandum dated September 1, 1967, captioned as above.

The September 5, 1967, issue of The Austin American, a daily newspaper at Austin, Texas, in an article entitled "Marchers Claiming 'Sell Out'" set forth in part that the Mexican-American marchers seeking a minimum wage law claimed a "sell out" by some of their own leaders as they staged a second Labor Day rally at the Capital; that Erasmo Andrade, the final rally speaker, stated "They've proven by their absence that they have sold out to the sources who want to elect Big John (Governor John Connally) to a fourth term"; that Andrade, head of the San Antonio Valley Farm Workers Committee, lead the fortyseven mile, four day hike from New Braunfels to Austin; and that GI Forum, the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), and the Texas AFL-CIO, all principal sponsors of the 1966 march, failed to support this year's demonstration.

The above article also set forth that Mike Ferdin of San Antonio, a member of the Bexar County Employment Opportunity Council, stated, "You have found out today who your true leaders are and who has been pulling the wool over your eyes. They are not here for one excuse or another, but the real reason is they are politically committed. Don't listen to those who are not here today or you will be marching again next year. Ferdin later said he was referring to the above mentioned groups who did not participate in this year's rally.

The article continued that a much-applauded speaker was Reies Tijerina, leader of the Federal Alliance

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ENCLOSURE

of Free City States in New Mexico, a group of Spanish-Americans who assert they are heirs to millions of acres in the Southwest due to old Spanish land grants; that Tijerina, who spoke in Spanish, said he and his brother Cristobal stopped in Austin while en route home from Chicago where they were delegates to the Conference for New Politics.

The article concluded by indicating that the march began Friday (September 1, 1967) with only fourteen walkers braving the humid weather with occasional rain; that about fifty reached the Austin city limits on Sunday; and that more than two hundred persons walked the last few blocks down Congress Avenue in downtown Austin to the Capital on Monday.

No incidents were reported.

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Via AIRTEL REGISTERED MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING [redacted]

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM captioned as above which are suitable for dissemination.

Inasmuch as this matter represents a continuing labor-political dispute, it is being followed through established sources.

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1cc LABOR DESK, TICKLER
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San Antonio, Texas

September 8, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The September 7, 1967, edition of the Valley Morning Star, a daily newspaper published at Harlingen, Texas, carries an article on its front page captioned, "Farm Union Ousts Marijuana Case" which article states that on September 6, 1967, the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee at Rio Grande City, Texas, had voted to expel two union members, Madgalena Dimas and Horacio Carillo, who had been recently arrested in Torreon, Mexico, on a marijuana charge.

The article states Dimas has entered a guilty plea on the marijuana charge and has cleared Carillo of any involvement. Carillo has been ordered to Mexico City by Mexican officials for possible deportation as an undesirable.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re San Antonio airtel to the Bureau 9/8/67.

Enclosed to the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM captioned as above which are suitable for dissemination.

Inasmuch as this matter represents a continuing labor-political-religious dispute, it is being followed through established sources.

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San Antonio, Texas

September 14, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Reference is made to FBI San Antonio memorandum dated September 5, 1967, captioned as above.

The September 12, 1967, issue of the San Antonio Light, San Antonio, Texas, a daily newspaper, carried the following front page article:

"Farm Workers Oust President

"The Valley Farm Workers State Assistance Committee -- irked at a restaging of the minimum wage march on the state capital -- has kicked President Erasmo Andrada, San Antonio, out of office, it was announced today.

"AFL-CIO Equal Opportunity Director Henry Munoz Jr. said the committee took the action over the weekend because of the 'fiasco' Labor Day march and the invitation by Andrade to Reies Tijerina of New Mexico to appear."

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/18/67

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
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Bufile No: 100-444762
Los Angeles File No: 100-67449
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Due to the opening of the Sacramento Office, the following action is being taken in the captioned matter:

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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) 2 P

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ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH.

[redacted]

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE MY TELEPHONE CALL TODAY TO [redacted] AT THE BUREAU.

THE TWENTYFIRST ANNUAL NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE INVOLVING ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED STATE LAW MAKERS, IS PRESENTLY MEETING AT LA VILLITA ASSEMBLY HALL, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

NEWS MEDIA INDICATES THAT PRESIDENT JOHNSON WHO IS AT HIS RANCH, WILL ADDRESS THE CONFERENCE THIS EVENING. EX-103

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A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, TODAY, ADVISED A GROUP OF MEXICAN-[redacted]NS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN RAISING THE STANDARD OF LIVING OF ALL MEXICAN-AMERICANS INCLUDING THE FARM WORKERS IN THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY, PLAN TO PICKET THE CONFERENCE AT SEVEN P.M. TODAY. MR. JIM JONES, PRESIDENTIAL ASSISTANT WITH THE PRESIDENT, AS WELL AS SECRET SERVICE,

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MR DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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AUSTIN AND SAN ANTONIO, AND SAN ANTONIO P.D. HAVE BEEN ADVISED.
~~LHM~~ MEMO FOLLOWS.

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Furnished to Agent [redacted], Secret Service, 9/29/67 JCD

CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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TO DIRECTOR (105-138315) (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (105-3237) (62-3269)

ATTENTION: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS. MISCELLANEOUS--INFORMATION CONCERNING.

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ACTIVITIES

REMYTEL TODAY.

AT EIGHT FIFTEEN PM, TEN PERSONS IN MEXICAN-AMERICAN DEMONSTRATION, AND FIFTEEN PERSONS IN PEACE DEMONSTRATION.

AT EIGHT TWENTY ONE PM, PRESIDENT JOHNSON ARRIVED AT LA VILLITA ASSEMBLY HALL. MEXICAN-AMERICAN DEMONSTRATORS YELLED OUT "BOX THIRTEEN, BOX THIRTEEN", SIGNIFICANCE OF WHICH IS UNKNOWN BUT MAY REFER TO INCIDENT IN CONNECTION WITH PRESIDENT JOHNSONS EARLY CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION.

AT EIGHT FORTY THREE PM, TWENTY FOUR PERSONS IN PEACE DEMONSTRATION.

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AT NINE PM, PRESIDENT LEFT ASSEMBLY HALL. AS PRESIDENT DROVE PAST PEACE DEMONSTRATORS, DEMONSTRATORS YELLED OUT "STOP THE WAR" "STOP THE WAR".

AT NINE ZERO THREE PM DEMONSTRATIONS ENDED AFTER PRESIDENT LEFT VICINITY. NO INCIDENTS. LOCAL AUTHORITIES PRESENT AND COGNIZANT. ~~LHM~~ memo FOLLOWS.

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TO DIRECTOR (105-138315) (100-444762)

FROM SAN ANTONIO (105-3237) (62-3269)

ATTENTION; ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH

VIETNAM DEMONSTRATIONS
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National Association

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS, MISCELLANEOUS--INFORMATION CONCERNING.

RE SA TEL TODAY.

AT ABOUT SEVEN THIRTY EIGHT PM SOME TEN OR FIFTEEN PERSONS SUPPORTING MEXICAN-AMERICANS OBSERVED ACROSS STREET FROM LA VELLITA ASSEMBLY HALL, CARRYING SUCH SIGNS AS "VIVA HUELGA MARCHA". (HURRAH STRIKER'S MARCH).

AT SEVEN FIFTY PM, TEN PEACE MARCHERS OBSERVED NEAR OTHER GROUP, CARRYING SUCH SIGNS AS "SAN ANTONIO COMMITTEE TO STOP WAR IN VIETNAM". AMONG THIS LATTER GROUP WERE [redacted] AND [redacted] CP SYMPATHIZERS AND [redacted] CP MEMBER [redacted], CP MEMBER OBSERVED IN VICINITY, BUT NOT ACTUALLY IN DEMONSTRATION.

NO INCIDENTS THUS FAR. LOCAL AUTHORITIES PRESENT AND COGNIZANT. BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
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DATE: 10/4/67

FROM : SAC, SAN ANTONIO

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Remytels to the Bureau 9/29/67 and San Antonio airtel and LHM 10/2/67 setting forth information regarding the demonstrations at La Villita Assembly Hall 9/29/67 during President LYNDON B. JOHNSON's speech.

Enclosed to the Bureau are 25 negatives of photographs taken during the demonstration. It is to be noted that these photographs are filed in San Antonio file 105-3237-1A3.

The Bureau is requested to make six (6) prints of each negative and return the prints and the negatives to San Antonio.

J. R. Adams

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Director, FBI

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: DIRECTOR, FBI ATTN: ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR DE LOACH

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO

[redacted]

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
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Remytels to Bureau, 9/29/67.

Enclosed to the Bureau are 15 copies of an LHM suitable for dissemination.

Copies have also been sent to Secret Service, San Antonio; Secret Service, Austin; 112th INTC; OSI, 10th District; and NISO, New Orleans.

It is to be noted that local authorities and Secret Service were present throughout the demonstration and cognizant of activities.

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In addition, it is to be noted that information contained in LHM was furnished to the following individuals with the President at the LBJ Ranch on 9/29/67, at the times indicated:

11:14 a.m., Mr. JIM JONES, Presidential Assistant

2:27 p.m., MARIE SECHMER, President's secretary at the LBJ Ranch, by SA [redacted]

It is to be noted that on the last contact with the ranch, Mr. JONES was in conference with the President at that time and Miss SECHMER indicated she would convey this message to Mr. JONES when he was available.

The Special Agents of the FBI observing the demonstration were SAs [redacted] and [redacted] SAC W. MYERS COLE and SA [redacted], were in the San Antonio Office coordinating.

Inasmuch as the activity concerning the farm workers strike at Rio Grande City represents a continuing labor-political-religious dispute, it is being followed through established sources.

INFORMANTS

Identity of Source	File Where Located
SA T-1: [redacted]	[redacted]
SA T-2: [redacted]	[redacted]
SA T-3: [redacted]	[redacted]
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[redacted]	Documentation of [redacted]

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SA [redacted]	[redacted]
SA [redacted]	Documentation of [redacted]
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CLASSIFICATION

The enclosed LHM is classified CONFIDENTIAL inasmuch as it contains information from [redacted] through [redacted] who are informants of continuing value, the unauthorized disclosure of which could result in identification and compromise future effectiveness thereof.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

San Antonio, Texas
October 2, 1967

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

DEMONSTRATION PROTESTING UNITED STATES
INTERVENTION IN VIETNAM

The September 28, 1967, issue of the San Antonio Light, a San Antonio, Texas, daily newspaper, carries an article that the Twenty-first Annual National Legislative Conference involving 1,600 State law makers is presently meeting at La Villita Assembly Hall, San Antonio, Texas. The article points out that President Johnson was due in Texas for an aerial inspection of the floodstricken Rio Grande Valley.

According to the article, the President has been invited to address the National Legislative Conference.

The September 29, 1967, issue of the San Antonio Express, a San Antonio daily newspaper, carries a front page article that President Johnson will address the National Legislative Conference state dinner Friday evening, September 29, 1967. According to the article, the state dinner will start at 7:00 p.m. at La Villita Assembly Hall.

SA T-1 (9/29/67)

Source advised that a group of Mexican-Americans who were interested in raising the standard of living of all Mexican-Americans, including the farm workers in the Rio Grande Valley, plan to picket the National Legislative Conference starting at 7:00 p.m. on September 29, 1967, at La Villita Assembly Hall.

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The following persons were furnished the above information on September 29, 1967, at times indicated by Special Agent [redacted]

11:07 a.m., [redacted], U. S. Secret Service, San Antonio, Texas

11:10 a.m., [redacted] San Antonio, Texas

12:05 p.m., [redacted] 112th Military Intelligence Group, San Antonio

At 11:18 a.m., [redacted], Special Agent in Charge, U. S. Secret Service, Austin, Texas, was advised by Special Agent [redacted]

The September 29, 1967, issue of the San Antonio Light, supra, contains an article indicating that President Johnson will deliver a major address on the question of Vietnam before the Twenty-first Annual National Legislative Conference at La Villita Assembly Hall, San Antonio, on the night of September 29, 1967.

SA T-2 (9/29/67)

On September 29, 1967, [redacted] San Antonio Committee to Stop the War in Vietnam (SACSWIV), advised that date she received a telephone call from a representative of the United Texas Committees to End the War in Vietnam. This call came from Austin, Texas. The United Texas Committees to End the War in Vietnam is an ad hoc collection of peace groups in Texas. [redacted] indicated she has been asked to call the membership of the SACSWIV to request them to take part in a demonstration on the evening of September 29, 1967, at La Villita Assembly Hall during President Johnson's speech.

ACTIVITIES RE FARM WORKERS
STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY

ELIZABETH LYTLE

SA T-4 (6/11/59)

[redacted]

NATIONAL GUARDIAN

"Established by the American Labor Party in 1947 as a 'progressive' weekly. ******* Although it denies having any affiliation with the Communist Party, it has manifested itself from the beginning as a virtual official propaganda arm of Soviet Russia." (Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, "Trial by Treason: The National Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs and Morton Sobell," August 25, 1956, p. 12)

The Worker

The Worker is an East Coast communist newspaper.

SACSWIV

A characterization of the San Antonio Committee to Stop the War in Vietnam is contained in the Appendix hereto.

SA T-3 (9/29/67)

This source can substantiate in part information furnished above by SA T-2.

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The following individuals were contacted on eptember 29, 1967, and furnished information set forth above trributed to SA T-2 by Special Agent [redacted]

1:52 p.m., [redacted], supra

2:07 p.m., [redacted], supra

2:12 p.m., [redacted], U. S. Secret Service, San Antonio, Texas

At 2:28 p.m., [redacted], U. S. Secret Service, Austin, Texas, was advised by Special Agent [redacted]

Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed the following in the vicinity of La Villita Assembly Hall, San Antonio, on the evening of September 29, 1967:

At about 7:38 p.m., 10 or 15 persons supporting the Mexican-Americans were observed congregating across the street from La Villita Assembly Hall carrying such signs as "Viva Huelga Marcha".

At 7:50 p.m., ten peace marchers were observed congregating near the other group, carrying such signs as "San Antonio Committee to Stop the War in Vietnam." Among this latter group were [redacted]

At 8:05 p.m., 12 individuals were observed in the peace demonstration, including [redacted]. [redacted] was observed in the vicinity of the peace marchers but was not actually in the demonstration.

At 8:15 p.m., 10 individuals were observed in the Mexican-American demonstration and 15 individuals observed in the peace demonstration.

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At 8:21 p.m. President Johnson arrived at La Villita Assembly Hall. As the President arrived, the Mexican-American demonstrators yelled out, "Box 13, Box 13".

At 8:25 p.m. [redacted] was observed in the peace demonstration. At that time there were 16 peace demonstrators and approximately 15 persons in the Mexican-American demonstration.

At 8:43 p.m. 24 individuals were observed in the peace demonstration and 10 individuals in the Mexican-American demonstration.

At 8:53 p.m. 23 individuals were observed in the peace demonstration. These individuals chanted, "Stop the war, stop the war."

At 9:00 p.m., President Johnson emerged from La Villita Assembly Hall and after entering his car, the car drove by the location where the peace demonstrators were standing and the peace demonstrators chanted louder, "Stop the war, stop the war."

At 9:03 p.m. both demonstrations terminated after the President left the vicinity.

There were no incidents.

SA P-2 (9/29/67)

Source advised that in addition to the above the following individuals took part in the peace demonstration:

[redacted] SACSWIV

[redacted] member, SACSWIV

[redacted] (9/29/67)

In addition to the above, source advised that [redacted] was observed in the vicinity of the peace demonstration but did not actually take part in the demonstration.

Source also advised that during the demonstration [redacted] was somewhat upset due to the fact that she had called many people to participate in the peace demonstration and these people indicated that they would. However, many of the people she called did not show up.

[redacted]

ACTIVITIES RE FARM WORKERS
STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY

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SAN ANTONIO COMMITTEE TO STOP
THE WAR IN VIETNAM (SACSWIV)
Post Office Box 2[illegible]
San Antonio, Texas

A source advised that on January 26, 1967, an organizational meeting of a new group to be known as the San Antonio Committee to End the War in Vietnam was held in the Texas Room of the Gunter Hotel, San Antonio, Texas.

Plans for forming this group were initiated and coordinated by John Stanford of San Antonio, Texas. Stanford provided the majority of the names and addresses of persons who were sent letters inviting them to attend this meeting. Stanford helped to compose the preamble and draw up the constitution of the committee. Stanford used the constitution of the Communist Party, U.S.A. (CPUSA) as a guide for the constitution of this committee.

On February 2[illegible], 1967, the name of the organization was changed to San Antonio Committee to Stop the War in Vietnam (SACSWIV).

A second source advised that the constitution was presented in rough draft form at the first meeting on January 26, 1967, amended at that meeting and at the next meeting, and finally adopted at the February 2[illegible], 1967 meeting of the organization.

The preamble of the constitution reads as follows:

"Believing that peace is of first importance to everyone, we have formed a group that will offer an opportunity to study and promote the achievement of a world without war. Peace is above political, economic, racial, or religious distinctions. We welcome into our organization the individual concerned with life instead of death, with health instead of injury, with building instead of destroying, with development instead of degradation, with

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SAN ANTONIO COMMITTEE TO
STOP THE WAR IN VIETNAM

"humane instead of barbaric acts. The war in Vietnam makes imperative the immediate organization of a peace group in San Antonio. Peace must win, or we will sacrifice ourselves, our children and grandchildren to a senseless military machine never before equalled. The insane waste of war and preparations for nuclear war will create the eventual destruction of all humanity if not stopped. PEACE MUST WIN!!!"

A third source advised that on May 29, 1966, at the Texas CP Convention held at San Antonio, Texas, John Stanford was elected chairman of the CP of Texas. On June 26, 1966, during the 18th National CP Convention, Stanford was elected a member of the National Committee, CPUSA.

APPENDIX

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
San Antonio, Texas

In Reply, Please Refer to
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October 2, 1967

Title ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

DEMONSTRATION PROTESTING UNITED STATES INTERVENTION IN VIETNAM

Character

Reference San Antonio memorandum dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

SA T-6 who has furnished both reliable and unreliable information.

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UNITED STA NMENT

Memoranaum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762) DATE: 11/29/67

FROM : SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P*)

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE AT RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

OO: SA

Re San Antonio let to the Bureau, 10/4/67.

Due to Hurricane Beulah, which severely damaged the Rio Grande Valley, on 9/20/67, and resulting floods, there has been little agricultural activity in that region. Since almost all crops were destroyed by the storm, the seasonal influx of farm workers has not occurred and, therefore, no strike activity has been initiated at Rio Grande City, Texas.

The next scheduled agricultural season is the melon crop June, 1968.

UACB, San Antonio is placing this matter in a pending inactive status for three months.

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MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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OO: San Antonio

[redacted]

Re San Antonio letter to the Bureau 11/29/67, indicating that San Antonio was placing this case in a pending inactive status.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM captioned as above which are suitable for dissemination.

Inasmuch as this matter represents a continuing labor-political-religious dispute, it is being followed through established sources and news media.

San Antonio will continue to carry this case in a pending inactive status.

C.C. - Bishop

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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San Antonio, Texas

December 22, 1967

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The December 21, 1967, issue of the San Antonio Light, a San Antonio, Texas, daily newspaper, carried the following article.

"Dope Charge Filed on Farm Activist"

"Benito Rodriguez, 27, of 158 Gladstone, active last spring in the Rio Grande Valley farm labor movement, was in jail Thursday in lieu of $10,000 bond after being charged with unlawfully receiving, concealing and transporting marijuana.

"Customs agents reported they arrested Rodriguez Tuesday on a downtown San Antonio street.

"Four pounds of marijuana, which he allegedly brought illegally into the United States, was confiscated.

"Rodriguez was jailed in lieu of bond after a hearing before U.S. Commissioner Frank Baskin.

"Rodriguez took part in the activities in Starr County last spring of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO.

"Another farm union organizer, Magdaleno Dimas, was convicted in Mexico earlier this year for possession of marijuana. The union has canceled his membership."

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762) DATE: 3/13/68

FROM : SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P)

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

OO: SAN ANTONIO

Re San Antonio airtel to the Bureau dated 12/22/67.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an LHM reflecting information received regarding new activities of Reverend EDGAR ALLEN KRUEGER [redacted], KATHY BAKER [redacted], and FROBEN LOZADA [redacted], at Donna, Texas.

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AT DONNA, TEXAS. Will follow closely activities of subjects.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

San Antonio, Texas

March 13, 1968

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

On March 12, 1968, [redacted] advised that recently Reverend Edgar Allen Krueger, Kathy Baker, and Froben Lozada established at Donna, Texas, in the old Donna Hotel an office allegedly under the auspices of the Texas Council of Churches. The name of their particular organization is the Valley Community Service and they occasionally distribute free groceries to needy Mexican-American families and disseminate VISTA literature.

A membership drive by Krueger, Baker, and Lozada is recruiting many Mexican-American high school students and some adults from the general area. Meetings are held each Friday night and each member is paid $1.00 monthly as encouragement to attend the meetings.

[redacted] has advised him that in the meetings the group discusses general abuse and discrimination of the Mexican-American element by "Anglo"-Americans and by the Federal Government. Frequent reference is made in the meetings to the successful unity of Mexican-Americans in the Rio Grande City, Texas strike of 1967.

[redacted] stated that other local high school students whom he knows to be members will not discuss the organization in any way and [redacted] has provided the above information confidentially and reluctantly. [redacted] advised [redacted] that as the membership (which he did not estimate) grows, the organization is being divided into "councils" of 16 members each.

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 1
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762) DATE: 4/30/68

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P)

RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM
WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE
CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING [redacted]

OO: SA

Re San Antonio letter to the Bureau dated 3/13/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an LHM reflecting information received regarding activities of Reverend EDGAR ALLEN KRUEGER [redacted], and FROBEN LOZADA [redacted]

Also enclosed for the Bureau are two clippings from a high school civics class film, "Anarchy, U.S.A." furnished by [redacted] on 4/26/68, containing photographs of a Negro speaker identified by [redacted]

LEAD

SAN ANTONIO

AT DONNA and SAN JUAN, TEXAS: Will continue to follow activities of individuals referred to herein.

Information copies of this communication are being furnished Miami, Jacksonville, and Tampa in view of their possible interest in this matter, along with one copy of LHM.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Antonio, Texas

April 30, 1968

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM
WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE
CITY, TEXAS

Continuous weekly contacts were maintained with [redacted] It is noted that information furnished by [redacted] and [redacted] was supplied by [redacted] It is further noted that [redacted] has become active in the Valley Community Service, an organization established by Reverend Edgar Allen Krueger and Proben Lozada at Donna, Texas, and subsequently moved on April 17, 1968, to San Juan, Texas. Weekly meetings were formerly held at the group's office at the old Donna, Texas, Hotel and at the Assembly of God Church, Donna, Texas.

Contacts with the above individuals developed the following information:

The organization, sponsored by the Texas Council of Churches, for the assistance of the poor Mexican-American population in south Texas, is also ostensibly sponsored by the VISTA organization under a project described as "VISTA Minority Mobilization Project for Texas," Headquarters, Southwest Regional Office of VISTA, Manager, Bill Hale, San Antonio, Texas. Actually in charge of the local project at Donna, Texas, is Reverend Krueger, a resident of Pharr, Texas, who received much help from Proben Lozada, a Donna, Texas, resident. The organization's avowed objective is to establish chapters similar to the Donna, Texas, chapter at Pharr, Rio Grande City, Bluetown, Gainesville, Santa Rosa, San Benito, Elsa, Santa Maria, Laredo, Santa Cruz, Laferia and Harlingen, Texas.

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President of the Donna chapter is Pablo Diaz, age 50. Vice president is Brigida Castillo, female, 40 years of age. Second vice president is Jose Escamilla. Treasurer is Joe De la Rosa. Susan Lau, an "Anglo," described as a white female American, age 20, reddish-blonde long hair, 5'5" tall and always wearing a necklace of shells, is very active in the local group as is (First Name Unknown) [redacted] who is presently residing at [redacted], with [redacted] told [redacted] and [redacted] that he knows very little or nothing about VISTA but is in south Texas to help the poor and to participate in any future "marches."

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Members of the group, including Froben Lozada and Reverend Kneeger, attended "La Raza Unita" meeting at Laredo, Texas, on March 24, 1968, to hear Senator Edward Kennedy speak.

Other members of the Donna chapter, Jose Escamilla, Joe De la Rosa, and three others, left Donna, Texas, at 4:00 a.m. March 24, 1968, and drove to Bartow, Tallahassee, Florida, and another unknown city in Broward County, Florida, to attend meetings. At these meetings in Florida, they spoke with many school teachers, two teachers from Missouri, two teachers from Washington, D.C., and many teachers from Florida. Several Negro speakers, using an anti-white theme, spoke to them in the different Florida locations, exact cities, meeting places and dates unknown The strike of the Florida teachers was a prominent topic of discussion as was last year's farm labor strike at Rio Grande City, Texas. Many of the speakers in Florida, identities unknown, allegedly stated they would come to San Antonio and Austin, Texas, next year to assist in teacher strikes there. The Donna, Texas, chapter group returned home on March 29, 1968.

WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE
CITY, TEXAS

[redacted] and [redacted] have advised that copies of a Spanish language newspaper, "Inferno," are distributed frequently at the local meetings and described the newspaper as an anti-war, sometimes anti-"Anglo" newspaper. They also stated that Reverend Krueger, Froben Lozada and Susan Lau speak frequently of Cathy Baker, a San Antonio girl who helps the group but neither [redacted] nor [redacted] has met her or seen her at a meeting. They described Froben Lozada as vehement in his opposition to the Vietnam War, the Federal Government, and "Anglos" who abuse the Mexican-Americans and Negroes. Lozada frequently reminds the group that Mexican-Americans and Negroes are dying in Vietnam at a much greater rate than white Americans.

On April 25, 1968, during the showing of a film "Anarchy, U.S.A." in the civics class of [redacted] Donna High School, Donna, Texas, [redacted] identified one of the Negro speakers in the film as being identical to one of the speakers his group heard during one of the above-described meetings in Florida. The film, a few hours later, was destroyed on the projector by an unknown individual at the Donna, Texas, High School.

[redacted] and [redacted] both emphasized that the chapter officers seem to be mere figureheads and that Reverend Krueger and Froben Lozada supervise the group almost entirely.

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ENCLOSURE TO BUREAU (100-444762)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

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Enclosed are two photos of Negro speaker from a clipping from a high school civics class film.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444702) DATE: 5/15/68

FROM : SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269)(P)

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

OO: San Antonio

Re San Antonio letter to the Bureau dated 4/30/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an LHM reflecting information received in captioned matter. One copy of this LHM is enclosed for information of Tampa.

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AGENCY: G-2, ONI, OSI, SEC. SER., STATE
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

San Antonio, Texas

May 15, 1968

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

On May 1, 1968, [redacted] advised that [redacted] was discontinuing his association with the Donna, Texas, chapter of the Valley Community Service because [redacted] and the adverse publicity he received after [redacted] issued a handbill. The handbill, he stated, denounced the Vietnam war and accused white Americans of being responsible for the slaughter of Mexican-Americans and Negroes in Vietnam and for the murder of Rev. Martin Luther King. Lozada stated he was leaving Texas because freedom of speech no longer exists in that state and intends to go to California where an individual can honestly express himself. [redacted]

On May 3, 1968, [redacted] advised that the telephone number for the Valley Community Service, recently moved to San Juan, Texas, is ST 7-5421 and the address is 103 West Fifth St. [redacted] noted that the organization is also often referred to by its members as the Valley Service Committee and Colonias del Valle. [redacted] noted that Jose de la Rosa resigned his position as treasurer of the organization and is quite disgruntled because he believes Rev. Edgar Krueger and Froben Lozada were "leading him on" and were not going to help him join VISTA. [redacted] further noted that many of the members of the Valley Community Service joined that group because they believed it was affiliated with, or was a prerequisite for, VISTA. [redacted] also advised that Jose de la Rosa had informed him that when he and four other members of the group made the recent Florida trip, they had gone to the Florida Christian Migrant Minority Office at Bartow, Florida, where Rev. Ben Fraticelli was director. [redacted] stated that De la Rosa was very confusing in his descriptions of the Florida trip

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and had also told [redacted] that Reverend Fraticelli was located at 100 Liberty Avenue, Orlando, Florida. At these sites, the group, with similar groups from Missouri, Washington, D.C., and Florida discussed the Rio Grande City, Texas, farm workers' strike, teachers' strikes in Florida, and potential future teachers' strikes in Missouri and San Antonio and Dallas, Texas.

[redacted] further stated that Reverend Nehemras (Ned) Garcia, formerly of the Second Presbyterian Church at Harlingen, Texas, had joined the Valley Community Service as a representative of the Migrant Minority Department of the Texas Council of Churches. [redacted] stated that Reverend Garcia has a wife and four children and now resides at McAllen, Texas, and is being used by the organization as a frequent speaker at invitational dinners and meetings. Reverend Garcia and Leo Nieto were the chapter's representatives for the funeral of Martin Luther King at Atlanta, Georgia.

On May 8, 1968, [redacted] advised that Froben Lozada departed Donna, Texas, on May 6, 1968 en route to the San Francisco, California, [redacted] that the Valley Community Service was sending representatives to the Poor People's March on Washington, D. C., and has issued a call for volunteer vehicles and individuals. He emphasized to her that the struggle of the Negro is the struggle of the Mexican and predicted that both would eventually be victorious.

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1210PM DEFERRED 5/23/68 JOC

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (157-NEW)

POSSIBLE PICKETING OF U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, MAY TWENTY-NINE, NEXT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.; RM [illegible]

[redacted]

ON MAY TWENTY-TWO, LAST, ADVISED THAT ONE FRANK BYER, WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF CESAR CHAVEZ, DIRECTOR OF UNITED FARM WORKERS, AFL-CIO, A LEADER IN THE GRAPE STRIKE OF AGRICULTURAL WORKERS AT DELANO, CALIF., STATED THAT THE FARM WORKERS INTENDED TO PICKET U.S. AG RAMSEY CLARK DURING HIS APPEARANCE BEFORE THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF SOCIAL WORKERS AT EIGHT THIRTY P.M., MAY TWENTY-NINE NEXT, AT THE CIVIC AUDITORIUM, SAN FRANCISCO. [illegible]ER INDICATED REASON FOR PICKET WAS THAT US AG RULED AGAINST FARM WORKERS IN RECENT DECISION INVOLVING IMMIGRANT LAB[illegible] [redacted] ON THIS DATE ADVISED THAT THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF SOCIAL WORKERS WOULD RUN FROM MAY TWENTY-SIX THROUGH MAY THIRTY-FIRST, NEXT, AND THAT

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[illegible] FEDERATION [illegible] CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL [illegible]

US AG CLARK WAS SCHEDULED TO TALK ON MAY TWENTY-NINE NEXT AT EIGHT THIRTY P.M. AND WOULD BE STAYING AT THE HILTON HOTEL, SAN FRANCISCO SF. MATTER WILL BE FOLLOWED AND PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS REPORTED. SF PD AWARE; SECRET SERVICE AND APPROPRIATE INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES BEING ADVISED.

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The Attorney General
Director, FBI

May 24, 1968

1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop
1 - Mr. A. Rosen
1 - Mr. G. C. Moore
1 - [redacted]

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POSSIBLE PICKETING OF UNITED STATES ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, MAY 29, 1968 SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

[redacted] advised our San Francisco Office that he had received information that the United Farm Workers intend to stage a picketing demonstration during your appearance before the National Conference of Social Workers in San Francisco, California, on May 29, 1968. [redacted] stated that he received the information from an individual who identified himself as a representative of Cesar Chavez, Director of United Farm Workers, American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations, a leader in the agricultural workers' strike at Delano, California.

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[redacted] advised that his source stated the picketing demonstration is to protest a recent ruling regarding immigrant farm workers.

The above is being furnished for your information, and you will be advised of any further pertinent developments.

1 - The Deputy Attorney General

1 - Mr. Stephen J. Pollak
Assistant Attorney General

1 - Mr. Fred M. Vinson, Jr.
Assistant Attorney General

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The Attorney General

NOTE:

By teletype dated 5/23/68, San Francisco advised that [redacted] had furnished information concerning the possible picketing at the appearance of the Attorney General. [redacted] of the National Conference of Social Workers advised that the National Conference is scheduled for 5/26-31/68 and that the Attorney General is scheduled to talk on 5/29/68. According to [redacted] the Attorney General will be staying at the Hilton Hotel in San Francisco. Our San Francisco Office is following this matter and will advise the Bureau of any pertinent developments.

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UNITED STAT NMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/28/68

FROM : SAC, SACRAMENTO (100-197) (RUC)

JH/x

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE PICKETING OF U. S. ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, 5/29/68 San Francisco, California RACIAL MATTERS

ReSFairtel 5/24/68.

Sacramento indices are negative as to FRANK BYER.

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1 - Los Angeles (Info) (RM)
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1207PM DEFERRED 5/30/68 JXR

TO: DIRECTOR FBI

FROM: SAC SAN FRANCISCO (157-1424)

[redacted]

POSSIBLE PICKETING OF U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL (USAG) RAMSEY CLARK BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, MAY TWENTY-NINE NEXT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA RACIAL MATTERS. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE.

[redacted]

REMYTEL FIVE TWENTY-THREE LAST AND ~~LHM~~ MEMO FIVE TWENTY-FOUR LAST.

USAG MET AT SF (San Francisco) INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT BY SAC CHARLES BATES AND DELIVERED TO HILTON HOTEL SAN FRANCISCO WITHOUT INCIDENT THIS DATE.

AT SEVEN FORTY-FIVE PM PICKETS NUMBERED SEVENTY-SIX. MAXIMUM NUMBER AT EIGHT-FORTY PM WAS THREE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SEVEN. APPROXIMATELY ONE HALF OF PICKETS WERE WEARING BADGE CREDENTIALS OF THE NATIONAL CONFERANCE OF SOCIAL WELFARE. AT EIGHT-FIFTY PM PICKETS NUMBERED ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY-EIGHT. PICKETING ENDED AT NINE ZERO FIVE PM. SIGNS CARRIED BY PICKETS INCLUDEING THE FOLLOWING:

[redacted]

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"QUIT DRAFTING STRIKE BREAKERS." "U.S. DEPARTMENT OF INJUSTICE." "SUPPORT DELANO (CALF.) FARM WORKERS." THE PICKETS WERE CHANTING "DON'T BUY GRAPES." PICKETS WERE ORDERLY, WELL DRESSED, AND OBEYED REQUESTS OF ~~SFPD~~ SAN FRANCISCO POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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PICKETS ENTERED CONTINENTAL BALLROOM WHERE USAG WAS SPEAKING FROM ABOUT NINE FIFTEEN TO NINE THIRTY PM. THE PICKET LEADER WITH THE

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SF 157-1424

AID OF A POWER BULLHORN INTERRUPTED SPEECH WITH QUESTIONS AND RECITED PLEDGE NOT TO BUY GRAPES. MAJORITY OF AUDIENCE BOOED INTERRUPTIONS, SPEECH TERMINATED AT NINE THIRTY-FIVE PM. APPROXIMATELY TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED IN AUDIENCE.

AG RETURNING TO WASHINGTON ON TEN-THIRTY PM FLIGHT.

NO INCIDENTS OR ARRESTS TOOK PLACE.

memo ~~LHM~~ FOLLOWS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 5/27/68

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles (157-2385)(RUC)

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE PICKETING OF
U. S. ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK
BY UNITED FARM WORKERS
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
5/29/68
RM

Re San Francisco airtel to Bureau dated 5/24/68.

Based on information furnished by San Francisco, Los Angeles indices are negative on FRANK BYER.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-36536) 5/29/68

SAC, SAN ANTONIO (44-1131) (C)

TEXAS RANGER CAPTAIN ALFRED Y. ALLEE,
RANGER JACK VAN CLEVE, ET AL,
EDGAR ALLEN KRUEGER,
ESTHER GUEVARA KRUEGER
DOUGLAS CRAYBILL ADAIR, III, ET AL
VICTIMS
UNLAWFUL ARREST - CIVIL RIGHTS

CO: SA National Farm Workers Assoc.

C. Re report of SA [redacted] at San Antonio dated 3/15/68.

Enclosed for information of Bureau are 10 copies of a LHM in this matter.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
San Antonio, Texas

In Reply, Please Refer to
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May 29, 1968

TEXAS RANGER CAPTAIN ALFRED Y. ALLEE;
RANGER JACK VAN CLEVE; ET AL;
EDGAR ALLEN KRUEGER;
ESTHER GUEVARA KRUEGER;
DOUGLASS GRAYBILL ADAIR, III; ET AL -
VICTIMS

On May 25, 1968, the following story appeared on page one of the Valley Morning Star newspaper, Harlingen, Texas:

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FOR ENFORCING LAW IN VALLEY LAST SUMMER

TCC May Drop Suit Against Rangers

By SAM GERALD

It appeared Friday the Texas Rangers may have only one suit, not two, facing them in the courts as a result of their enforcing the law during last year's long, hot summer of "farm union" activity in the Valley.

The suits grew out of their being vigilant during incidents of civil disobedience and other activities surrounding the unsuccessful attempt of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (AFL-CIO) to organize the laborers on the larger melon farms in Starr County.

TCC Suit

One suit was filed by the Texas Council of Churches alleging that the Rangers used unnecessary force in dispersing pickets, and that one man affiliated with the TCC through a small church group, Ed Krueger, and his wife received rough treatment during that period in one incident.

It is this suit which may be withdrawn. In Fort Worth, earlier this week, the Rev. Gerald McAllister, a member of the staff of the Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas and immediate past president of the TCC, said the TCC may withdraw its lawsuit against the Rangers.

McAllister, speaking before the commissioners of the Synod of Texas, the Presbyterian Church, U. S., in Fort Worth, said the council is "very hopeful" that it will "win its case" without going through the courts.

Here in the Valley it has never been clear exactly what the TCC has been trying to win from the Rangers unless it is an agreement not to enforce the law.

"New Mood"

McAllister hinted of a "new" atmosphere in Austin. "There's a new mood (at the state capitol) since the Texas Liquor Board probe," he said. It was not clear what the LCB probe has to do with the TCC suit on the Rangers, but he added that no one any longer finds the attitude there that "everything's rosy — we never had it so good."

McAllister said the council has authorized its new president, Methodist Bishop W. Kenneth Pope of Dallas, to "try to resolve the issue without a suit."

He said he is "optimistic" about chances for an "honorable agreement."

"We never wanted to take this course at all — we tried to talk to state officials: men of almost every walk tried to set up talks, but they came of naught," McAllister said. He said the "officials" now indicate that they may be willing to discuss the matter.

Known Liberal

McAllister, known for his liberal leanings and his concurrence with those involved in civil rights demonstrations and related matters, such as the long "union" activity in the Valley, said charges that the TCC was acting as an arm of union organizers in the Valley are false.

"If anyone can prove that a TCC minister served as a tool for the union, he (the minister) will be fired. I've made that offer a number of times and never been taken up on it. The reason speaks for itself."

He said the TCC associated with union leaders because it "believes in the right of association for common purpose," and because it "knew full well that some in the union were counseling violence and sabotage." He said the church group maintained a "ministry of presence."

McAllister discounted the charge that the TCC sided with workers against growers, claiming that because the church group's ministry to workers got off the ground before its ministry to growers, the public probably came to that conclusion.

Never Heard Of It

In the Valley Friday, growers contacted said they never had heard of a TCC ministry to growers down this way.

McAllister said most of the "uproar" over TCC's role in the migrant workers situation developed because the laborers are "newly articulate and active."

"When you get people to the point of leadership, it becomes obvious that they will be hurt in a new way," he said. "This upsets a lot of people." He said the church's responsibility is to "see that the voice" (of the organized worker) is "met positively." He added that if not, other groups will be only too glad to lead the workers "down the path of irresponsibility."

The Texas Rangers were instrumental last summer in keeping law and order in the Valley, from Starr County on down, when demonstrators tried to stop the Missouri - Pacific trains hauling melons out of the area in which union and church outsiders from California, San Antonio and other points were trying to organize farm workers who didn't want to organize.

Many Arrests

Numerous arrests, many jailings and many demonstrations resulted.

Some of the outsiders arrested by the Rangers and who claimed the Rangers and other peace officers were "brutal" turned out to have criminal records and some are in jail today.

But out of the incidents, the two suits arose — one by the TCC in connection with the Krueger affair (Krueger associated himself with the "union" people and other outside dem-

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Rangers

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onstrators), and the other by the union itself.

The other suit was to come up for trial in federal court in Brownsville in mid- May, but has been postponed until June 11. That will make it pending for about a year, since it was filed on June 12 last year by the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee against the Rangers and officers of the Starr County sheriff's department. It is to be heard before a three-judge court.

Defendants

The suit names specifically Ranger Capt. A. Y. Allee, Texas Rangers S. H. Denson, Jack Van Cleve, Jerome Preiss and T. H. Dawson; Sheriff Dr. Rene Solis, Deputy Sheriffs Raul and Roberto Pena and Special Deputy Sheriff Jim Rochester, all of Starr County, and Justice of the Peace B. S. Lopez, also of Rio Grande City.

They were charged by members of the UFWOC with depriving members of the "union" of their constitutional rights under the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments of the Constitution.

The "deprivation" was in connection with arrests and detention of "union" members during the months - long picketing of Starr County produce farms.

Among the plantiffs is Gilbert Padilla, vice president of the "union" who was an associate of Cesar Chavez, founders of the California farm union of which the Texas organization is a splinter. Padilla now is in charge of the Valley "union" and last summer in Rio Grande City staged a rally to protest the presence of Rangers there during picketing action and other demonstrations. Members of the union were arrested following numerous incidents. Violence was rampant in the long months of unionization effort, a railroad bridge was burned, cars were burned, citizens were threatened and trains were delayed. Rangers had to ride shotgun on the trains going out of the Valley carrying melons.

Three Judges

The judges who are to hear the case are Federal District Judge Reynaldo Garza of Brownsville, Judge John R. Brown of the Fifth Circuit U. S. Court of Civil Appeals, New Orleans, and Judge Woodrow Seals, of the Southern District Court in Houston.

Because of weather conditions which have caused the melon crop to be late and small, little unionization effort has been observed this spring. A big unionization effort was to have undertaken this spring and summer, with the advent of the new melon crop, some of the "unionites" had indicated.

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FBI

Date: 5/31/68

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-1424)(C)

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE PICKETING OF U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, 5/29/68 SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA RM

Remytels 5/23-30/68 and LHM dated 5/24/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM.

U.S. Attorney General RAMSEY CLARK was met at the San Francisco International Airport by SAC CHARLES W. BATES and escorted to the Hilton Hotel, San Francisco, without incident. U.S. Attorney General proceeded back to Washington, D.C. after speech.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Francisco, California

May 31, 1968

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

POSSIBLE PICKETING OF U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, MAY 29, 1968, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Reference is made to a memorandum dated May 24, 1968 captioned as above.

Copies of this memorandum are being distributed locally to the Army, Navy, Air Force, United States Attorney, San Francisco and Secret Service, San Francisco.

Picketing at the San Francisco Hilton Hotel began at 7:30 p.m. by the United Farm Workers AFL-CIO in preparation for the address to be given by U.S. Attorney General RAMSEY CLARK. At 7:45 p.m. pickets numbered 67. The maximum number of pickets was reached at 8:45 p.m. when 367 encircled the entire hotel. Approximately one-half of the pickets were wearing badge credentials of the National Conference of Social Welfare whose convention the U.S. Attorney General was addressing. Picketing ended at 9:05 p.m.

Signs carried by pickets included, "Quit Drafting Strike Breakers," "U.S. Department of Injustice," and "Support Delano (California) Farm Workers." The pickets were chanting "Don't Buy Grapes." Picketing was orderly and obeyed request of the San Francisco, California Police Department in regard to areas of picketing and blocking of entrances.

The pickets entered the Continental Ballroom of the Hilton Hotel and from 9:15 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. the picket leader, with the aid of a power bullhorn, interrupted the speech of the U.S. Attorney General demanding Federal enforcement of laws against strike breakers. RAMSEY CLARK was speaking on "legal rights for all." The individual with the bullhorn recited a

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pledge not to buy grapes and requested audience participation in the pledge. The majority of the audience resented the interruptions. The speech was terminated at 9:35 p.m. The audience was estimated at 2500.

No arrests were made. In the ballroom each seat had literature on it put out by the United Farm Group charging that the government is allowing Mexican laborers issued green cards to work on farms involved in labor disputes despite a regulation prohibiting the alleged strike breaking.

This confirms information furnished orally to Mr. [illegible], Inter-Division Information Unit, on [illegible].

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Date: 8/16/68

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM : SAC, SACRAMENTO (100-197)

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE AFL - CIO
Delano, California
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Re Sacramento airtel to the Bureau, 8/15/68.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are four (4) copies of an LHM and one (1) copy for Los Angeles pertaining to captioned matter.

LEAD

SACRAMENTO

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AT DELANO, CALIFORNIA: Will follow situation involving picketing of Delano Police Department and report any positive results.

ENCLOSURE

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Sacramento, California

August 16, 1968

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING
COMMITTEE AFL - CIO
DELANO, CALIFORNIA

Copies of this memorandum are being distributed to the Army, Navy, Air Force, United States Secret Service, and United States Attorney.

On August 16, 1968, [redacted] advised as follows:

From about 5 p.m., to 9 p.m., on August 15, 1968, up to 200 United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) pickets gathered in the vicinity of the Delano Police Department protesting what they claimed is a lack of police protection. Included in the UFWOC picket line on that date were approximately 12 individuals, names unknown, claiming to be "brown berets" from Los Angeles, California. He has heard that Mr. Cesar Chavez, Director, UFWOC, has invited any of the militant groups to participate in this protest. During the morning of August 16, 1968, there were about 50 UFWOC protesters in front of the Delano Police Department.

[redacted] stated he intends to send a telegram to Attorney General Ramsey Clark on August 16, 1968, inviting the United States Justice Department to thoroughly investigate any complaints that Mr. Chavez has filed concerning [redacted] department or any other law enforcement agencies in the area [redacted]

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UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING
COMMITTEE AFL - CIO
DELANO, CALIFORNIA

He is sending this telegram because he has heard Mr. Chavez has made numerous recent complaints to the Attorney General regarding police agencies in the Delano, California, area.

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FBI

Date: 8/19/68

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO: Director, FBI

FROM: SAC, Sacramento (100-197) (P)

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
AFL - CIO
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted]

Re Sacramento airtel to Bureau, 8/16/68.

Enclosed herewith are four copies of letterhead memorandum pertaining to captioned matter.

LEAD:

SACRAMENTO DIVISION

At Bakersfield, California:

Will follow this matter with the Delano Police Department.

[redacted]

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1cc CIVIL RIGHTS UNIT ENCLOSURE

1cc: AAG Civil Rights Division
Form 6-94

8/26/68

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Sacramento, California
August 19, 1968

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
AFL - CIO
DELANO, CALIFORNIA

Copies of this memorandum are being disseminated to intelligence agencies of the Army, Air Force, And Navy, and to United States Secret Service, Sacramento, California.

The August 15, 1968, issue of the "Delano Record," a local tri-weekly Delano newspaper, reflects an interview with Cesar Chavez, Director, United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC), wherein Chavez stated that "this beating," referring to the altercation between union picket Manuel Rivera and Ignacio Rubio, on August 13, 1968, "is only one of many more incidents which have happened over the past two months. The police, District Attorney, and Sheriff won't move on them. We will stay here till we get action," referring to the picketing of the Delano Police Station.

Mr. Chavez further stated that he had asked Attorney General Ramsey Clark to send Federal Marshals to Delano, "so we can proceed with our union activities with some protection." Mr. Chavez previously stated, on August 13, 1968, that he is asking for a Congressional investigation into the matter. (A one-day meeting of the General Labor Sub-Committee of the House Education and Labor Committee, headed by Congressman John Dent (Democrat-Pennsylvania), was held at the Delano High School on August 15, 1968, to hear testimony on farm labor problems as they related to Federal legislation.)

On August 16, 1968, [redacted] advised as follows:

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ENCLOSURE

RE: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
AFL - CIO, DELANO, CALIFORNIA

[redacted] the individual involved in the altercation with Manuel Rivera, who is affiliated with UFWOC, signed a complaint through the Kern County District Attorney's Office, at Bakersfield, California, on August 16, 1968, charging Rivera with battery. A warrant for Rivera's arrest was issued by Judge McNally of the Delano Justice Court on August 16, 1968, and Rivera was apprehended at Delano by the Kern County Sheriff's Office, on the same date.

Rivera was housed temporarily in the Delano Jail, pending transfer to the Kern County Jail, Bakersfield, and was immediately visited by David Averbuck, UFWOC Attorney. Mr. Averbuck told Chief Aisles that the Delano Police Department would "suffer" for Rivera's arrest. [redacted]

[redacted] stated that during the afternoon of August 16, 1968, approximately 25 to 30 pickets were present on the sidewalk in front of the Delano Police Station; however, picketing has been orderly and no arrests have been made. He said there is a vague rumor that Mr. Chavez has sent letters to militant groups throughout the United States, inviting them to join in the picketing at Delano.

[redacted] advised on August 17, 1968, that an average of approximately 70 UFWOC pickets were present at the Delano Polica Station, and that there were no problems except an occasional jeer by a passing citizen.

On August 19, 1968, [redacted] stated that except for a two hour night rally by UFWOC members, there was no activity at the Police Station on August 18, 1968. He said there were about eight UFWOC pickets at the Police Station as of 10:00 A.M., on August 19, 1968.

RE: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
AFL - CIO, DELANO, CALIFORNIA

[redacted] advised on August 19, 1968, that [redacted]. He advised that on the night of August 16, 1968, approximately 300 UFWOC pickets assembled in front of the Delano Police Department and became unnecessarily loud and unruly. UFWOC Attorney Averbuck was called in to discuss the matter and was asked to cooperate; however, he was not very receptive to any suggestions on the part of the Delano Police Department. Immediately after Averbuck left the station, the pickets left the sidewalk and gathered at the door of the Police Station. Since they were interferring with the normal operation of the Police Department, they were ordered to leave, and only after all assembled forces were called in did the pickets leave without any further problems.

[redacted] stated that to date there have been no arrests in connection with this matter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444752) DATE: 8/26/68

FROM : SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P*)

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE
IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

OO: SA

In view of no current harvest or union activity in Starr County, Texas, and the recent departure of FROBAN LOZADA, the main agitator in the Valley Community Service, aka Valley Service Committee and Colonias del Valle, of Donna and San Juan, Texas, this matter is being placed in a pending inactive status at San Antonio, Texas.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/10/68

FROM : SAC, SACRAMENTO (100-197)(C)

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
AFL - CIO
DELANO, CALIFORNIA
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Sacramento airtel to the Bureau dated 8/19/68.

There has been no picketing or other unusual activity on the part of the above-captioned organization during the past week and none is anticipated in the near future. Consequently, this matter is being placed in a closed status.

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TO DIRECTOR (CODE)

ATT. DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

FROM NEW YORK 62-NEW 1P

[redacted]

"ANTI-NIXON VIGIL", SPONSORED BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, AFL-CIO, OCT. TWENTY FIVE, SIXTYEIGHT, NYC; INFORMATION CONCERNING.

[redacted]

A SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT THE UNITED FARM WORKERS, AFL-CIO, WOULD HOLD AN "ANTI-NIXON VIGIL", ON TEN TWENTY FIVE INSTANT, AT NIXON'S MANHATTAN CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS FROM FOUR TO SEVEN PM.

THE VIGIL IS TO PROTEST NIXON'S SUPPORT OF THE GRAPE GROWERS IN DISPUTE WITH THE UNITED FARM WORKERS.

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RE NEW YORK TEL TEN TWENTY FOUR LAST, CAPTIONED "PEACE AND FREEDOM PARTY - NEW YORK". SOURCE UTILIZED IS [redacted] SECRET SERVICE, NEW YORK, AND BSS, NYCPD, ADVISED. NYO WILL FOLLOW AND SUTEL RESULTS.

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FBI NEW YORK

URGENT 8-35PM 10-25-68 WPK

TO DIRECTOR (PLAINTEXT)

ATTENTION DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

FROM NEW YORK 62-NEW 1P

"ANTI-NIXON VIGIL", SPONSORED BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, AFL-CIO, TEN TWENTY FIVE, SIXTY EIGHT, NYC; INFORMATION CONCERNING.

[redacted] ADVISED THIS DATE THAT THE UNITED FARM WORKERS, AFL-CIO, HELD A VIGIL AT RICHARD M. NIXON'S CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS AT FIFTY SEVENTH STREET AND PARK AVENUE, NYC ON TEN TWENTY FIVE INSTANT.

APROXIMATELY FORTY PEOPLE PARTICIPATED IN THE VIGIL INCLUDING CITY COUNCILMAN ED KOCH.

THE VIGIL BEGAN AT FOUR THIRTY PM AND ENDED AT SEVEN PM. THERE WERE NO INCIDENTS OR ARRESTS.

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RENYTEL TEN TWENTY FIVE INSTANT. NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED UACB.

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DEMONSTRATION MARCH, NOVEMBER TWENTYTHREE, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTE, PITTSBURGH, PA., INFO CONCERNING.

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS

[redacted]

ON NOVEMBER FIFTEEN, INSTANT, A RELIABLE SOURCE ADVISED THAT ALBERT ROJAS OF THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC) HAD OBTAINED A PERMIT FOR A MARCH ON NOVEMBER TWENTYTHREE, NEXT. THE MARCH WILL BEGIN AT HERRON AND CENTRE STREETS, IN THE NEGRO HILL DISTRICT OF PITTSBURGH. THE MARCH WILL THEN PROCEED ALONG GRANT ST., AND LIBERTY AVENUE ENDING AT AN AREA IN PITTSBURGH KNOWN AS THE POINT. THE AIM OF THE UFWOA IS TO GAIN UNION RECOGNITION FOR GRAPE PICKERS IN CALIFORNIA AND AS A MEANS TO THAT END, ROJAS HAS BEEN IN PITTSBURGH FOR SOMETIME. HE HAS ORGAINIZED A CAMPAIGN TO DISCOURAGE THE USE OF CALIFORNIA GRAPES.

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THE SOURCE SAID THAT THERE WERE INDICATIONS CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE WOULD OCCUR DURING THE MARCH.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762) DATE: 11/18/68

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P)

SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of a LHM concerning the boycott of the Edcouch-Elsa, Texas, High School by a group of students who are allegedly being led by or associated with members of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee and of La Raza Unida.

This information being furnished for the information of the Bureau.

Only those organizations that can be documented are characterized.

This matter is being followed through the news media and other public information sources but no active investigation is being conducted by San Antonio.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

San Antonio, Texas
November 18, 1968

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

The Monitor, an evening newspaper published at McAllen, Texas, under date of November 13, 1968, contained the following information:

Members and backers of the Mexican-American Youth Organization (MAYO) planned to show up at the Edcouch-Elsa High School tonight to air their grievances but the school board was not expected to be around to hear them.

MAYO drafted 15 "demands" and two "recommendations" to be presented to the trustees charging among other things "blatant discrimination."

Billie Cellum, Board President, said MAYO representatives had requested a special meeting tonight to present their requests. However, Cellum advised the group trustees would "listen to their complaints" at the next regular session at 8:00 p.m. Monday.

The list of demands and recommendations were discussed by the MAYO group and sympathizers at a Monday night session held in the Elsa Community Building, it was reported.

State senator Joe Bernal of San Antonio, and Richard Avena, San Antonio member of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, addressed a large group of students and parents at the Monday night meeting.

Bernal said he was asked to come down here like the Texan Rangers were invited. His reference was to old complaints involving rangers who assisted Starr County authorities in labor strife with the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee.

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM
WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE,
CITY, TEXAS

The Edcouch-Elsa School Board last week passed a new policy resolution which said in part: It has come to the attention of the school board that there are persons who are engaged in activities designed to cause trouble, dissatis[illegible] and disruption in the school system.

To prevent disruption in the education of the [illegible] of this school district, the board hereby directs that an[illegible] student who participates in a demonstration or walk-out [illegible] previously approved by the office of the principal shall be expelled from this school for the remainder of the s[illegible] no credit may be earned during that semester.

The policy went on to state that it was not the [illegible] intentions to discourage the legitimate complaints, but [illegible] must be handled through proper channels.

No student shall be permitted to attempt to rec[illegible] solicit on campus members for any organization which tends to disrupt, interfere with, or create unrest or dis[illegible]sion [illegible] students in the education program, the policy [illegible]ded.

Maximum penalty for violation of this provision [illegible] be the expulsion for the remainder of the semester.

The Valley Morning Star, a Harl[illegible], Texas, n[illegible] on November 15, 1968, carried the follow[illegible] em:

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Edcouch-Elsa Stude Continues With Ra

By NOLENE HODGES

EDCOUCH — Striking Mexican - American students at Edcouch-Elsa High School climaxed a daylong demonstration Thursday night with a rally in front of the campus auditorium.

Xavier Ramirez, a senior who heads the six - member "student committee" leading the revolt, claimed as many as 200 left classes.

The last report from school authorities indicated 136 were absent. There was no official count on how many had been suspended due to the walkout.

The group said it is protesting discrimination and conditions in the district as well as the failure of the school board to call a special session to hear student demands.

(Additional Photos, Pg. A12)

Cars Line Highway

The Thursday night attendance was estimated at more than 1,000. Cars and trucks filled the school parking spaces and lined both sides of the divided highway in front of the school.

Adult education classes normally held Thursday nights at the high school were called off, presumably because of the gathering.

Mirtala Villarreal, a member of the student committee, said she had talked by telephone with Sen. Ralph Yarborough concerning the school situation. She said he told her to write him concerning the complaints.

A group of Weslaco students joined in the rally. The spokesman for the Weslaco group identified himself as Milton Hinojosa.

Other speakers included Abel Ochoa, Hidalgo County PASO president who told the students they had the "100 per cent support" of PASO. Ocho announced earlier in the week it would be PASO's policy to offer legal aid to students expelled for demonstrating.

Ramirez said the demonstrators would be back on the campus at 8 a.m.

Principal M. L. Pipkin called faculty meeting to discuss overall situation and strategy for today.

"We will continue to have school as much as possible," Pipkin said, "and will check attendance most carefully."

He said the demonstrators generally are from the average and lower section academically and non - participants as far as athletics and extra curricular activites are concerned.

"Some are trouble makers and some are not," he said.

Pipkin also announced over the loud speaker that students walking out would "unquestionably be expelled" by the school board.

Following the noon hour, he instructed teachers to check carefully for class members who might have returned after being absent for morning sessions. Students in the class boycott at 8 a.m. became more unruly as the day wore on, clapping and chanting as they marched closer and closer to the building, sometimes shouting to those inside.

Hidalgo County Sheriff E. E. Vickers told his deputies to stay away from the area.

The high school is located between the cities of Edcouch and Elsa, and therefore out of the jurisdiction of city police.

However, Police Chief Eloy Zavala of Elsa and Chief Ernesto Olivarez of Edcouch were on the scene most of the time in the event trouble broke out.

State highway patrolmen were in the area frequently during the afternoon.

VISTA workers and Pan American College students began joining and advising the demonstrators Thursday afternoon.

As buses left the school at

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the end of the day, one load of non - striking pupils lowered their heads and covered their faces as the vehicle passed demonstrators in an effective protest of their own.

A group of the students involved in the walkout crawled into a big red stake - bed truck late in the afternoon and headed for Weslaco. It had been rumored the group would demonstrate in Weslaco.

The truck drove around several streets in the downtown area and appeared to be headed for the northside plaza park. Police kept them under surveillance.

Instead of going to the park, the young people stopped at a Kansas Street residence. Police took no action. School officials appeared shortly after the Edcouch - Elsa group arrived, apparently to determine if Weslaco students were involved.

"Will Not Yield"

After the approximately 140 students began their boycott of classes at 8 a.m. Thursday, and after a series of conferences with the six leaders of the demonstrators and several parents, Pipkin announced all of those involved in the walkout would be suspended for three days, pending action of the school board.

The conferences took place at the school house door, and later for about an hour in a room inside the building.

"We will not yield one iota as long as I am principal," Pipkin declared. "The students will not dictate the policy."

An estimated 125 had begun the demonstration as the school bell rang at 8 a.m., and another group walked out at the beginning of the second period.

The demonstrators gathered across the road from the campus while the leaders met with Pipkin. They carried a large banner "entreating boycott classes" and one student hoisted from a truck farm labor strike flag.

Lake Foley, Elsa city policeman, kept an eye on the proceedings but for the most part the students were orderly.

Their parents were more militant.

At least one parent told school authorities he was keeping his child at home because he didn't want her "endangered" by the walkout.

Hit Where Hurts

Students involved said the walkout would "hit the school where it hurts," cutting down the average daily attendance on which state funds are allocated.

Union, P.A.S.O., VISTA and Texas Council of Churches migrant ministry representatives stayed away from Thursday morning's demonstration. They have been addressing meetings held by the students in the last two weeks, including one Wednesday night at which the walkout was planned.

Pipkin and Juan B. Tomassini, Spanish teacher serving as his interpreter, were the only school officials meeting with the walkout participants Thursday.

Ramirez and the other leaders charge "blatant discrimination." They say the student body is approximately 90 per cent Mexican-American. The high school enrollment is believed to be between 600 and 700.

Many of the Mexican-American students remaining in classes told reporters at a break between classes they thought the walkout was a "disgrace."

Others Watching

Other school district administrators in the area were keeping in close contact on the Edcouch-Elsa development, indicating they felt the movement might spread if firm action were not taken in the first instance.

The student participants remained in a group near the campus. Original plans to spend the day at a stockyard adjoining the school grounds had to be called off when the pens were filled with cattle Thursday morning.

The Edcouch - Elsa school board took action last week in a special meeting calling for expulsion of students participating in demonstrations or walkouts for the semester. Students, under the same policy, are forbidden to "recruit or solicit, on campus, members for any organization which tends to disrupt, interfere with, or create unrest or dissension" among the student body.

Ramirez said the demonstration was organized because the school board refused to call a special meeting Wednesday night to hear his group's list of 15 "demands" and two recommendations.

Meet Monday

Billie Cellum, board president, told the group spokesman trustees would listen to the complaints at a regular meeting set for 8 p.m. Monday. He said a full board could not be present before that time.

School administrators may suspend students for three days, Pipkin explained, with board action necessary for expulsion.

As the demonstration began Pipkin told the students he was "willing to listen to any justified complaint, but as far as being out of class. I will not tolerate it."

Eddy Gonzalez, one of the walkout leaders, told the principal the "school belongs to the parents and the students. The school is supposed to meet every emergency. This is an emergency. Get the board here."

The leaders and several parents requested Pipkin to contact Supt. A. W. Bell. He left the door briefly to do so. When he returned, he said he had talked with the superintendent and was advised that the board would meet at 8 p.m. Monday and "at that time, if you have any statement you wish to present to the board, you may do so."

Told Go Back

A short time later, Pipkin stated to the group: "The only thing I can tell you right now is to go back to class. If you do not wish to go to class you may walk off."

Luis Chavez, father of three students involved in the demonstration, talked with the principal through an interpreter. He charged the school authorities declined to listen to the student complaints.

"You act like this is nothing," Gonzalez told the principal. "If you don't think that it is something, look across the street."

Pipkin said he had nothing further to say, except "any student not in school will automatically come under the board policy and will be expelled for the semester."

One of the adults wanted to know "how come high government can call emergency meetings, but the school board can't?"

Mrs. Rebecca Ramirez who said she had children attending classes, argued at length with both students and adults outside the high school entrance, telling them they were wrong and to return to classes.

Pipkin was asked if he would meet with the demonstrating students and their parents. He said he didn't want a mass meeting, but if the leaders and their parents wanted to discuss "anything officially or unofficially" he was willing to comply.

Requests, Not Demands

He said he wanted to emphasize he would hear their requests, "but not demands."

He also told the leaders "but I am not going to listen to that group standing over there in defiance," pointing to the main body of the demonstrators across the unpaved, dusty road.

It was then that the six leaders and six or seven adults accompanied Pipkin inside the building for a conference.

Asked following it what he said, Pipkin replied, "I listened."

Ramirez and the other boycott leaders denied to reporters earlier and to Pipkin today that they were a part of the Mexican - American Youth Organization (MAYO). They said they hoped to form a MAYO group later.

Earlier, some of the students had described themselves as MAYO members.

The two "recommendations" drafted for presentation to the school board call for either students or townspeople to be hired as school bus drivers instead of teachers and for longer periods of time to be given to get to classes between periods.

They said five minutes would be sufficient, charging they now have three minutes.

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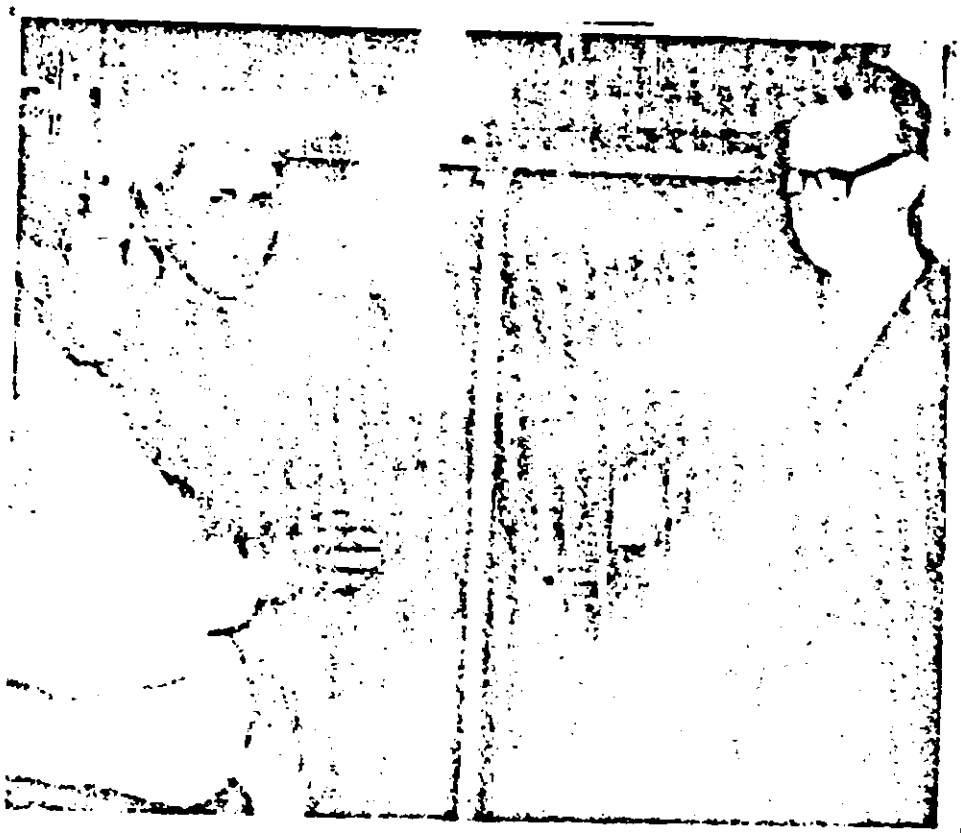

STOOD FIRM—Edcouch-Elsa High School principal M. L. Pipkin, right, stood firm in the face of a student walkout involving approximately 140 Mexican-American students Thursday morning. Pipkin said he could not make the students attend classes, but that those who didn't would be suspended for three days. Shown with him in front of the high school are, left to right, Luis Chavez, father of three children taking part in the walkout, and Xavier Ramirez, a student leader in the protest.

(Staff Photo)

SIGNS OF DISCONTENT — Students in several age groups refused to attend classes Thursday in the Edcouch-Elsa school system. The leaders of the protesting group presented 15 demands upon school authorities. Later in the the day, all students were turned out an because of a bomb scare.

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STUDENT REVOLT LEADER — Xavier Ramirez, center, with hands on head, is shown at the moment he reported to his followers in the Edcouch-Elsa High School demonstration Thursday morning that they had been suspended from classes. He talked to reporters, said his group is not backed by a farm labor union, nor VISTA, but representatives from both groups were seen in the ranks of the students. (Star Photo)

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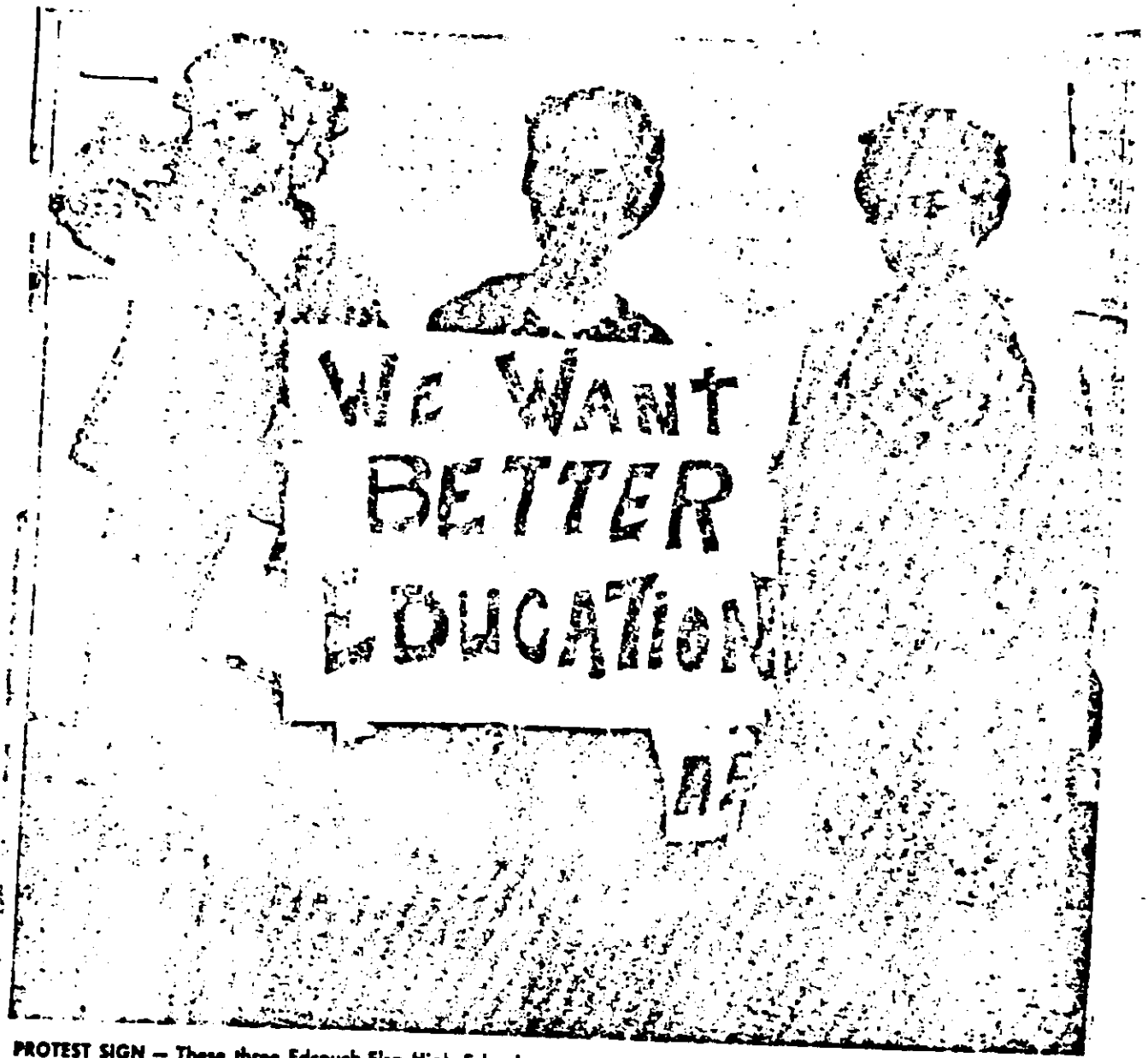

PROTEST SIGN — These three Edcouch-Elsa High School seniors show one of the various protest signs observed in the mass student refusal to attend school Thursday morning. They are, from left, Mirtala Villarreal, Martina Gonzales and Patsy Jacinto.

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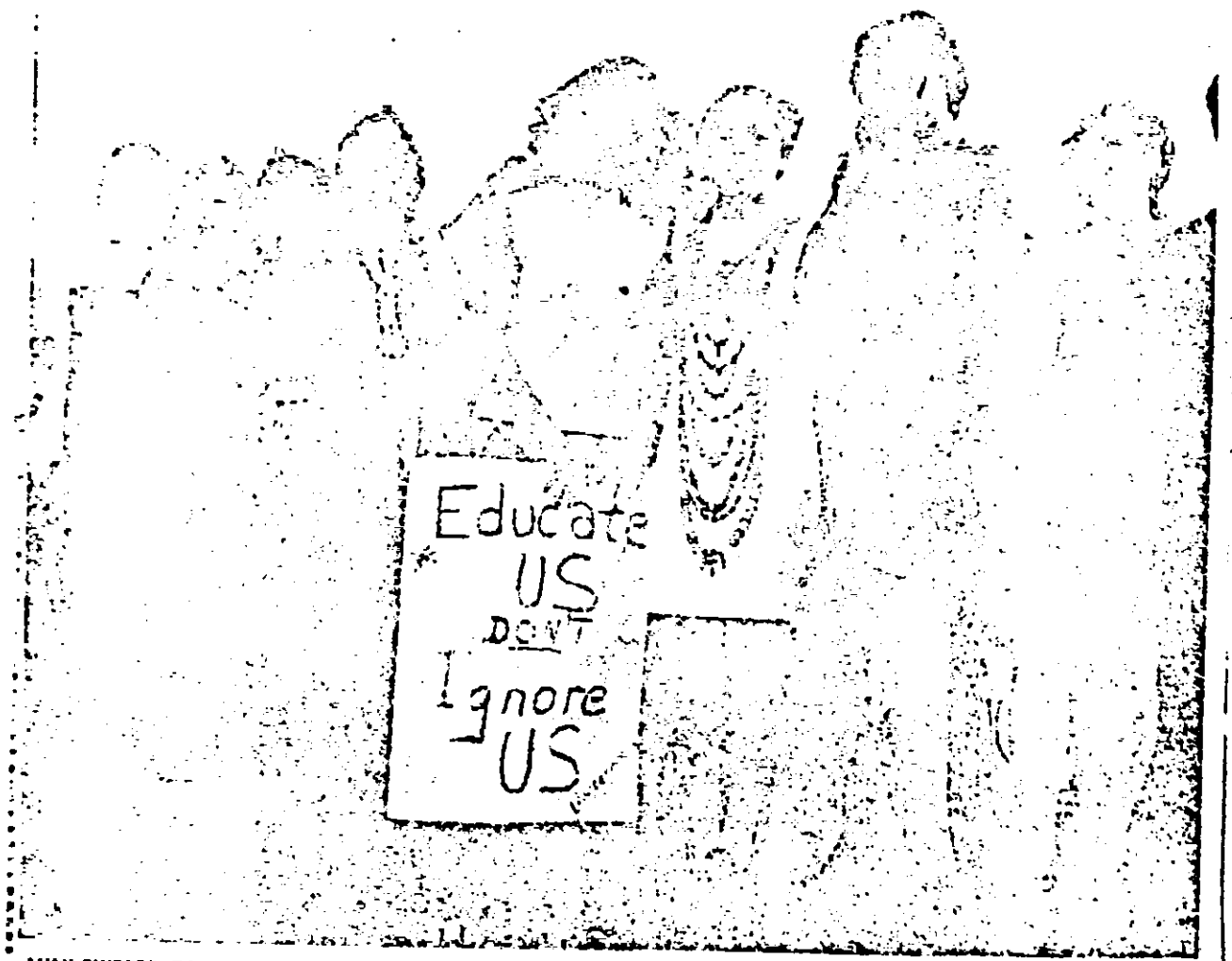

MINI-SKIRTED DEMONSTRATORS—Here are some more of the 140 Edcouch-Elsa high school students in the act of refusing to attend classes Thursday morning. The result: three-day suspension from class. (Star Photo)

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GAY PARADE—Demonstrating students staged a short parade in front of the Edcouch-Elsa High School Thursday morning before they learned they had been suspended from classes as a result of the "revolt."

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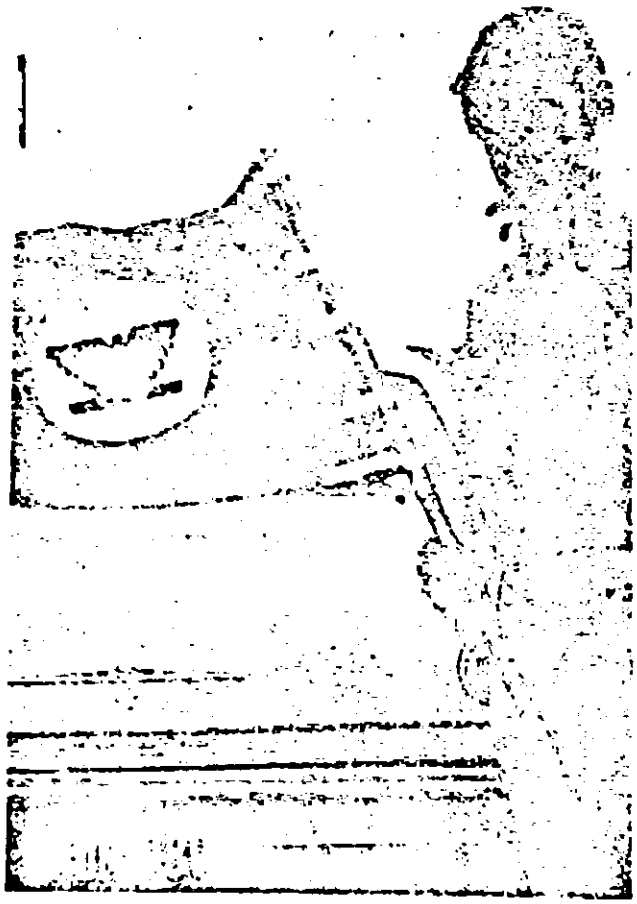

UNION FLAG — The black eagle flag of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee was waved during the Thursday morning student demonstration at the Edcouch-Elsa High School. Here a Weslacoan, Jesus Ramos, who was there, holds the flag used by the unsuccessful farm union organizers in the Valley. He was observed speaking to some of the students.

(Star Photo)

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM
WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE
CITY, TEXAS

Accompanying the foregoing article were several photographs taken by staff photographers, one of which was a group picture in which signs pertaining to La Raza Unida were evident and another photograph of an individual identified as Jesus Ramos of Weslaco, Texas, holding the black eagle flag of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee which he waved during the Thursday morning boycott of the high school by the student group. According to the newspaper, Ramos was also observed speaking to some of the students.

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VANCOUVER SUN
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Campbell Rapped

Editor, The Sun, Sir — We, the Committee for Social Justice of the City of Seattle, wish to express our disbelief in the alleged conclusion of the investigation of the Delano grape strike by Mayor Campbell of Vancouver.

We give our sincere and total support to these strikers and their objectives and ask our social-minded Canadian brothers to unite with us in this truly Christian effort. We ask that Tony Mendez of the international union be given the opportunity by your newspapers to describe the plight of the farm workers in answer to the findings of Mayor Campbell.

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California agitators fail to gain wide support for grape boycott in Canada

Union dispute in vineyards

By MICHAEL SOOSEK

John Giumarra was 9 when he came to Canada. His family settled in the Parliament Street area of Toronto and he remembers his older brother Joseph selling fruit from a pushcart on Queen Street.

The Giumarras went to the United States shortly after the First World War and wound up in the fruit-growing country of California. John now is patriarch of 12 related families that ship about 2,000 carloads of grapes—approximately 40,000 tons—all over the world each year.

Marshall Ganz is a former civil rights worker from the U.S. South. He has a long, droopy mustache and the sunlit of a man who spends a lot of time outdoors. When he talks, he looks at you like a man who believes.

Mr. Ganz is one of five U.S. organizers from the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, in Canada to promote a boycott of California grapes. They want to force growers like Mr. Giumarra to bargain with the Farm Workers Union (AFL-CIO), which has picked grape country as its focus for organizing.

Three in Ontario

Three are working in Ontario from headquarters in Toronto, one is in Montreal and one is Vancouver.

The organizers had broad support from unions and provincial labor councils, from Roman Catholic clergy and from radical youth. They have been called everything from liars to Communists by the grape growers, the Governor of California, and the Mayor of Vancouver.

D. H. W. Henry, director of investigations and research under the Combines Investigation Act, says if they succeed in persuading the chain stores in any city to stop buying California grapes, he will have to launch an investigation on restraint of trade.

Ontario grape growers stand to benefit if buyers in Canada switch from California fruit.

Twelve thousand tons of the Ontario produce were shipped to the United States last year. This surplus production is a drop in the barrel compared with imports of California grapes into Canada. More than 30,000 tons of wine grapes and 15,000 tons of eating grapes went to Toronto last year. Shipments to Montreal totalled 7,000 tons.

This year, for the first time, the Ontario marketing board that sells grapes for the retail trade is putting on a push to get into the Toronto market. However, at least one major distributor says his customers do not want Canadian grapes.

This is the second year in a row that committee organizers have tried to promote a grape boycott in Canada. Last year, Marion Moses, a former student at the University of California, tried to persuade grape dealers and chain stores not to sell the product of the Giumarra Bros. Inc. vineyard at Delano, Calif. She did some picketing too, until Pietro Culetta Grapes Ltd. won an injunction prohibiting it. The picketing was ruled illegal because Pietro Culetta did not have any disputes with its employees.

This year, the organizers are going after all California grapes. Mr Ganz says last year other producers in the rich San Joaquin Valley lost shipping labels to Giumarra, so picketing one brand was useless.

The organizers claim workers are being prevented by the growers from joining the union. Organizers and growers disagree on this and most other points.

Mr. Giumarra is typical of the growers. He charges the organizers, led by Mexican-American Cesar Chavez, are trying to force workers and growers into unionization when neither of them wants it.

"They've been struggling for three years to organize the workers, and they've had no success. They can't get the workers to join . . . They've created so much animosity the workers hate the union organizers."

About his workers: "These people would never leave us. If you treat them good, there's no way they'd ever leave."

Mr. Ganz sums up the organizers' answer: "If that's true, why won't they let the pickers vote?"

Farm workers were left out of New Deal legislation passed in 1935 to protect the worker's right to organize, and there is still no way they can secure a certification vote if the grower refuses it.

(In other industries in the United States, a petition signed by 30 per cent of the workers requires a certification vote, and 51 per cent in favor obliges management to negotiate in good faith with the union.)

The organizers say they have won overwhelming victories whenever they have been able to hold secret votes.

Growers use the example of the DiGiorgio Fruit Corp., where pickers were organized in 1966. Within a year, the entire operation had been sold.

Organizers claim unionization of the workers had little or nothing to do with the breakup of the DiGiorgio operation.

Mr. Ganz says sale of the land resulted from a 10-year-old agreement with the state Government. The company still has 9,000 acres 40 miles away producing fruit, vegetables, and nuts. "They're unionized, and they're thriving."

Fruit farms in San Joaquin are on a scale larger than anything in the Canadian fruit industry. Mr. Giumarra says a family couldn't make a decent living on anything less than 320 acres, and the average is about 600 acres.

Supporting 12 families

He said he has 5,000 acres of grapes, supporting 12 related families. (Mr. Ganz says the Giumarra families have 12,450 acres of grapes, either owned or rented.)

Mr. Giumarra ridicules claims by the organizers that wages are low and working and living conditions substandard: "They're the most affluent farm workers in the United States."

"And they have the highest cost of living," says Mr. Ganz.

Martin Zaninovich of Delano, chairman of the south central growers committee, says the old pattern of migrant workers following the harvest has changed. "Ninety per cent of the seasonal work

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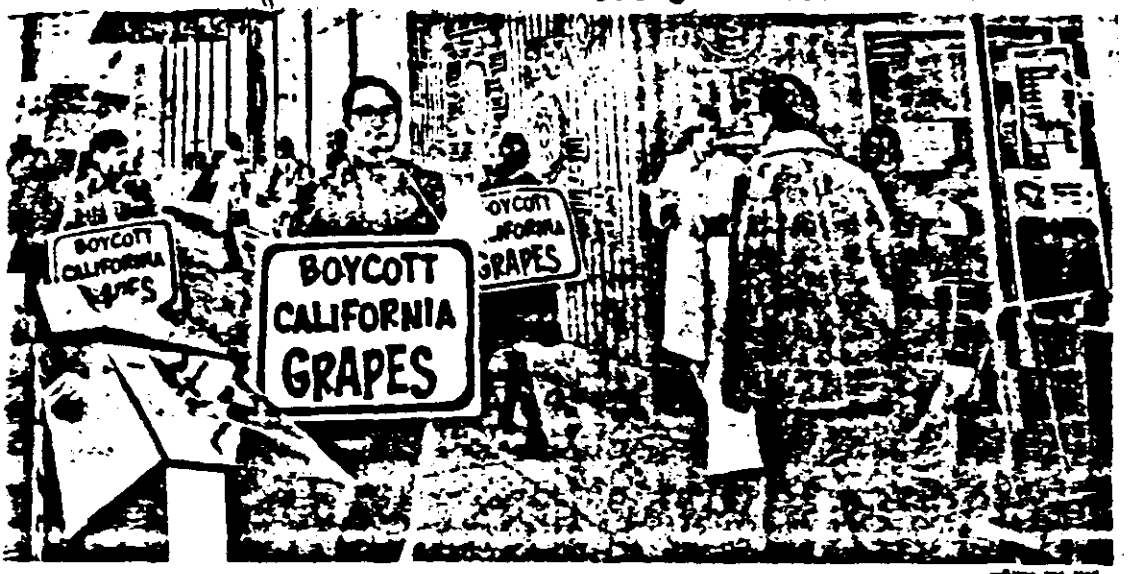

Store on Bloor Street West in Toronto is picketed in attempt to persuade Canadians not to buy California grapes, in support of attempts to unionize workers. Ontario grape growers stand to benefit from any major switch by buyers from U.S. product.

force is made up of local workers. We don't get a bunch of migrants."

Mr. Zaninovich, who hires up to 80 workers for his 800 acres of vineyards, adds that the fact the organizers have gone to a national boycott "proves they have failed to organize the workers."

Boycotts have been organized widely in U.S. cities. The mayors of New York and Detroit have given their support, causing growers to urge Californians not to buy any products from the two cities.

In Canada, organizing has been most active in Ontario. Support has been received from major unions, and the larger locals are organizing boycotts in cities outside Toronto. Committees are already active in St. Catharines, London, Sudbury, Brampton and Windsor, and are being organized in at least six other communities.

Working out of Toronto with Mr. Ganz are full-time organizers Jessica Govan and Rev. Mark Day, a Franciscan priest. Both are from California.

They have been working with labor organizations, churches, and other groups. Several priests have preached on the boycott, and leaflets in Italian have been widely distributed. The Ontario Farmers Union has given its support.

Stores have been asked to refrain from selling California grapes, and a few have been picketed to convince customers not to buy. Mr. Ganz says he has had "lots of sympathy, but no action" from chain stores he has approached.

If the chains agreed to stop selling the grapes, they could be breaking the law.

Combines investigation director Mr. Henry says if such an agreement kept grapes for one part of the market from the public, he would have to launch an inquiry.

Convincing the public not to buy probably would not run afoul of the act; the consumer would still have a choice.

Mr. Henry cannot remember a consumer boycott ever being effective.

While chain stores are heavy sellers of table grapes, wine grapes are mostly sold by fruit companies.

Pietro Culetta, the company that obtained the injunction last year, and Darrigo's Grape Juice Ltd. say they will both sell California grapes this year. Most of their customers want the kind of grapes grown in California.

Steps similar to those in Ontario are being taken in Montreal, where Tony Abumada, a native of Delano, has been working.

Chain stores have been asked to co-operate, but there has been no answer. Both the Congress of National Trade Unions and the Quebec Federation of Labor have endorsed the program and Mr. Abumada is still trying to get the support of the Roman Catholic Church, the Bishop of Montreal and Mayor Jean Drapeau.

Mr. Abumada says Delano "is like any other place when a union comes in—there's always trouble at first."

Why did the union pick Delano? "The agricultural industry is a lot richer than anywhere else . . . you have to start somewhere."

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The union opened a mobile clinic for workers, a service centre, and a co-operative gas station. "Lots of people in Delano buy at the gas station, though I never saw a grower.

Things are more lively in Vancouver, where Mayor Thomas Campbell was a staunch backer of the boycott at first, but now scoffs at it.

He took part in the initial planning, proposed slogans, and was completely in favor of the protest until he visited Delano.

The stories of what happened differ. The mayor says he went at his own expense so he could form his own opinion. Raymond Haynes, secretary of the B.C. Federation of Labor, says the mayor "took a flip-flop", and then spent a weekend in Delano to justify changing his mind.

The real reason, says Mr. Haynes, was that the food chains refused to co-operate with the boycott. "The mayor was a little naive if he thought they would accept."

Mayor Campbell says he found no strike. "I was shown one picket line, and they said they'd been brought there shortly before. I talked to workers in the fields. They don't want a union.

"These people live in air conditioned buildings. They have fine working conditions." He talked to the union, but officials wouldn't tell him how many members they had.

Mr. Haynes says the mayor spent 35 minutes with the workers, and the rest of the weekend with the growers and Governor Ronald Reagan.

Mayor Campbell says there may be poverty among farm workers elsewhere in California, but not at Delano. "They're better off than farm workers here in B.C."

Situation bad

Mr. Haynes doubts the situation is worse in British Columbia, but it is "pretty bad". He says the mayor "has made politics out of a real social problem."

Tony Mendez, the organizer working in Vancouver, is pushing ahead with the boycott. Students from Simon Fraser University are helping to picket, and the student council of the larger University of British Columbia has also voted support.

A demonstration is planned for the downtown area, and if all else fails there could be a shop-in.

He explains that when a shop-in occurs demonstrators fill shopping carts and then refuse to buy the goods—as a protest against the store carrying California grapes. This is a last resort if all other pressure fails.

Mr. Haynes says boycotting is illegal under B.C. labor law—the toughest in Canada—"but we do it anyway." So is leaflet distribution, "but we wouldn't mind seeing it challenged."

An offshoot of the Vancouver campaign is being organized in Edmonton by 16-year-old Naomi Rankin, a secondary school student. She heard about the protest when visiting Vancouver and had been trying to approach local chain store managements. She has the help of the local New Democratic Youth.

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Boycott of scab grapes from California urged

A campaign for a consumer boycott of California grapes was launched in B.C. last week when the B.C. Federation of Labor's executive council decided to give full support to the California grape pickers who appealed to B.C. labor for support.

Support from B.C.'s labor federation came after 24-year-old Tony Mendez, an organizer for the United Farm Workers in California, described the incredible conditons faced by pickers. The grape workers have set up headquarters in Vancouver to promote the consumer boycott and seek support for their fight.

A leaflet being widely distributed in B.C., headed, "Don't buy scab grapes from California," says: "When you eat a grape you approve of: families living on $115 per month, poor education for our children. You believe in slavery. You condemn poor workers.

"California grape farm workers have now been on strike for 34 months for not only wages, but for decent living conditions. Grapes are picked under slave conditions that still exist in the twentieth century.

"A California grape grower makes $12 million per year on table grapes, yet, farm workers earn, for a family of six, only $2,500 a year, which is below the U.S. poverty level.

"Farm workers have no rights - no laws - no protection from the Federal government - miserable living conditions."

The leaflet concludes with an appeal to the public to support the grape workers in their struggle for justice:

"Don't buy any California grapes. Tell your store manager not to handle these scab grapes. Join our consumer picket lines. Tell your friends and groups not to buy California grapes."

Another leaflet issued by the B.C. Federation of Labor on behalf of the grape workers appeals to the public: "Don't buy sour grapes." It says that justice and equality do no exist for grape workers. It points out that grape workers are compelled to support a family on $115 a month, that some have been jailed, for exercising free speech, shot, beaten up, and run down.

The BCFL leaflet points out that grapes sold in Vancouver have been picked by strike breakers.

Under the leadership of Cesar Chavez, the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO, waged a valiant struggle to improve the lot of California farm workers against the economically powerful and reactionary big growers. They won partial success in the wine grape industry in California. Now the campaign has turned to the growers of table grapes, and as happened before, the growers have adopted an adamant position.

They have refused to meet with the union, have imported scab labor, union organizers have been harassed and physically attacked. Now the workers have taken their campaign to the people of the U.S. and Canada.

Further information about their struggle and the boycott of California grapes is available by phoning the Vancouver Labor Council, TR 9-8471.

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Action May Be Taken Against E-A Students

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[illegible] — School officials have [illegible] to the charges against Mexican-American student demonstrators on the high school campus — if there is a way.

Principal M. L. Pipkin today listed 160 High School and 40 Junior High students as being suspended because of a class boycott, which began Thursday morning.

They stayed inside for about 20 minutes.

Pipkin said the sheriff would "serve the papers," referring to warrants of arrest if they are obtained. Vickers Thursday had instructed his deputies to stay away from the campus.

Earlier, Justice of the Peace Uvaldo Lopez of Edcouch was called to the school as Pipkin attempted to get charges filed. Lopez said he advised the district attorney be called in.

Teachers stood in doorways and at windows attempting to identify the demonstrators, who presumably have to be named before charges are filed. One of the problems being encountered, along with identifying those in the marching, was determining their age.

Only those 17 are expected to be charged, with juveniles to be treated in a different manner.

The red tape involved in getting the boys and girls removed from the campus was a sore spot with officials today.

Five State Highway Patrolmen, headed by Lt. W. J. McLean of Harlingen and Sgt. Smiley Moxley of McAllen, were at the high school. They said their only purpose was to direct traffic.

Also present for a couple of hours was Maj. Thomas Fuller [illegible] than 100 years [illegible] continued to [illegible] the school. They could be heard inside the building and teachers said the activity and noise were disrupting classes.

[illegible] said as he left for Edinburg about 10:15 a.m., he would confer with Dist. Atty. Oscar McInnis "to see what legal rights we have." He had talked with [illegible] by telephone. Pipkin was accompanied by Asst. Principal Bill Thompson.

Shortly before the two departed for Edinburg, they talked with Sheriff E. E. Vickers inside the building. The sheriff and Deputy Pat Ramsey were cheered by the striking students as they drove up to the front door of the school.

of the National Guard. He said he was observing to report to his commanding officer. He was driving a National Guard jeep.

Among other "observers" at the campus this morning was Joe Uriegas, who identified himself as an investigator for the U.S. Civil Rights Commission. He said he had just arrived from Washington, D.C. He talked with parents of the demonstrators. The parents were clustered around the high school grounds and in cars and trucks parked along the highway.

The students refused to go to class Thursday morning, saying they were protesting the failure of the school board to meet with them the night before. They have drafted 15 "demands" and two recommendations, which they said needed immediate attention from trustees.

They say their principal gripe is "discrimination."

Board President Billie Collins said earlier in the week trustees would hear the student complaints at a regular meeting scheduled at 8 p.m. Monday.

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Xavier Ramirez designated as spokesman for the student walkout group, said he and five other student leaders will meet with parents in a closed session tonight.

The demonstrators gathered across the road from the school at 8 a.m. today, then began marching single file up and down the campus about 30 minutes later. They carried a few signs proclaiming "Viva la Revolucion," "Let's Put the School Board Gestapo Down," "Viva la Raza" and "We Will Overcome."

At one point, they marched up to the flag pole for a pledge of allegiance and sang the Star Spangled Banner.

Pipkin said a few of the students who walked out Thursday had attempted to return to school today, "but I told them I was sorry."

The principal said he did not intend to yield in the original decision to suspend all engaging in the walkout for three days, the maximum period. He has warned all will be expelled for the semester and lose credits under a new board policy, adopted last week. The school board must expel the students officially and is expected to do so at the Monday night session.

Pipkin said today the 109 out of High School and 49 walking out of Junior High compare with enrollment of 820 in High School and 339 in Junior High.

A rally was held in front of the campus auditorium Thursday night.

The Thursday night attendance was estimated at more than 1,000. Cars and trucks filled the campus parking spaces and lined both sides of the divided highway in front of the school.

Mirtala Villarreal, a member of the student committee, said she had talked by telephone with Sen. Ralph Yarborough concerning the school situation. She said he told her to write him concerning the complaints.

A group of Weslaco students joined in the rally. The spokesman for the Weslaco group identified himself as Milton Hinojosa.

Other speakers included Abel Ochoa, Hidalgo County PASO president who told the students they had the "100 per cent support" of PASO.

[illegible] on clapping [illegible] as they marched [illegible] and closer to the building, sometimes shouting to those inside.

The high school is [illegible] between the cities of Edinburg and Elsa, and therefore out of the jurisdiction of city police.

However, Police Chief Eloy Zavala of Elsa and Chief Ernesto Olivarez of Edinburg were on the scene most of the time in the event trouble broke out.

VISTA workers and Pan American College students began joining and advising the demonstrators Thursday afternoon.

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On Edcouch-Elsa Developments

School officials in districts throughout the Lower Rio Grande Valley watched nervously Thursday as a student upheaval disrupted classroom routine.

None interviewed minimized the possibility that it could happen in their own back yards, and most, presumably, were closely examining the list of demands drafted by the militant student group, which has been spurred in its dissent by the Mexican-American Youth Organization (MAYO), of San Antonio.

"We feel sure it's going to hit us sooner or later," said Buck Henson, superintendent of the West [illegible] school district. "There are rumors it may happen. We know some of our students have attended these meetings, but what can we do?"

Expulsion Policy

Henson said the school board, in an effort to head off anticipated trouble, has drafted an expulsion policy similar to the one in effect at beleaguered Edcouch-Elsa High School, and he joined with Edcouch-Elsa Superintendent A. W. Bell in blaming "outside agitators" for the trouble.

In Edinburg, Superintendent Thomas Pickens said no indications of student unrest had yet surfaced, but that "we all live in the same area, and it is a fact of sociology that what happens in one district can happen in another."

Pickens said he would be happy to meet with any students who wanted to voice complaints, but that [illegible] taking it as a point of fact that they won't use disruptive methods here."

Some Good Things

Pickens said he could see considerable evidence that the dissident students "are interested in some good things," and he said he disagreed completely only with the method being used at Edcouch-Elsa to promote them.

"There are some signs of searching going on among our students," he said, "and I think there must be some now among the adults."

Homer J. Morris, assistant superintendent of the McAllen district, said the possibility of a student demonstration has been considered by school officials, but that no specific policy for dealing with one has been drafted because "I don't think this sort of thing ever has been anticipated before."

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E-E Gridders Not Involved

EDCOUCH — Edcouch - Elsa varsity football coach and athletic director, Ken Kachtik, said this morning that no varsity players are involved in the student protest. "We're solid," he said. "All of our boys will make the trip to play Falfurrias tonight. There's not one varsity player involved in the trouble here. In fact, there is only one footballer taking part, and he's a B - teamer who has been out only a couple of weeks. Out of all of our teams (junior high, B - team and varsity) that player is the only one involved."

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STUDENT PROTESTERS — Shown are a group of Ecoutch-Elsa High School students this morning as they continued to boycott classes over what they charge "blatant discrimination." In the background is a State Highway Patrol car. Patrolmen showed up at the school this morning "to direct traffic." (Monitor Photo)

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

The following article appeared in the November 16, 1968, edition of Valley Morning Star at Harlingen, Texas.

Here Are The 'Demands' Of The Striking E-E Students

EDCOUCH — The demands being made by striking students in the Edcouch-Elsa High School total 15. They are reproduced here.

The 15 "Demands" are set out in petition form, with the heading: "We, the student body of Edcouch-Elsa Junior and Senior High School, demand of the officials and administrators."

The demands are:

1. That no diciplinary action be taken against any student or teacher that has taken part in this movement and that all suspended students and teachers be reinstated to their previous post or office and that any mention of such action be omitted from school records. Also all intimidations should stop.

2. That no threats, intimidation or penalties be made against any student by teachers or administrators for membership or attendance of meetings of any club or organization outside of school.

3. That the students be allowed to select their own candidates for student council—it should be the students student council.

4. That excessive and unfair penalties and punishments stop being given students for minor infractions of completely ridiculous reasons, for example: student suspended three days for failure to keep appointment with teacher after school; student suspended for three days for failing to stand at school pep rally; if something (shorts, tennis shoes) are stolen from lockers the students are punished (paddled or sent to do manual labor) for not being able to suit up.

Likewise, that due process be followed in cases of suspension or expulsion of students, that is, that a student be given opportunity to defend himself and that evidence be presented to both administrators and parents. Also no paddling should be given student until explanation for punishment be given to parents, if students request such explanation.

5. That no teacher or administrator shall use profanity or abusive language in presence of students and in no case shall any teacher or administrator lay a hand on a student.

6. That, in the case of tardy or absent students, the students be allowed to reenter class and no points taken off until his excuse is verified or not. Students should not be kept out of class till parents call school

7. That either the price of the cafeteria lunch be lowered to a more reasonable price or that more and better foods be served.

8. That, as Chicano students, we be allowed to speak our mother tongue, Spanish, on school premises without being subjected to humiliating or unjust penalties.

9. That courses be introduced, as a regular part of the curriculum, to show the contributions of Mexicans and Mexican Americans to this state and region. For instance, factual accounts of the history of the southwest and Texas, courses in Mexican history and culture. Also, that qualified, certified teachers be hired to teach these courses.

10. That all college preparatory courses be singled out for students by the time they enter high school.

11. That more effective counseling be given students from understanding counselors that are able to relate to students. Present student-counselor ratio is too great we need more counselors. Likewise, more assemblies on career opportunities, availability of scholarships, grants, loans, college entrance requirements, etc.

12. Finally that the blatant discrimination against the Mexican American students in this school stop immediately. We demand justice.

13. That regulations for passes be set down clearly and defined so that no question remains as to when passes are needed or not. The present system, or lack of it, is ridiculous.

14. That special attention be given the situation a great number of Edcouch-Elsa students find themselves in—that is, they are migrant workers. Student choices of subjects in spring registration be respected

and adjust in the fall term. These subject forms are often disregarded.

Migrants leave school early, they take part in an accelerated program. Advance tests are supposed to be given before they leave. Often teachers do not let migrants take tests or do not send tests to students up north after them. All tests should be given to migrant students before they leave

15. That school facilities be improved, renovated, replaced or installed where appropriate. For example:

Fans — Teachers often use fans only for their own comfort, ignoring students.

Heaters — The heaters are for the most part outdated and not in working order. We need new heaters.

Restrooms — Some of the restrooms and toilets are not cleaned and are inoperable; constantly out of repair.

Windows — Fix broken windows.

Walls — Repair holes in wall. Give school buildings a face lifting.

How about hot water for the showers.

We want to be proud of our school.

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM
WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE
CITY, TEXAS

The following article appeared in the Corpus Christi Caller on November 16, 1968, in Corpus Christi, Texas.

Loitering Charges Filed on 5 Pupils

Protest In Valley Continues

By HOYT HAGER
Caller-Times Staff Writer

ELSA — Hidalgo County sheriff's deputies arrested Friday five of the estimated 150 pupils who have been boycotting classes at Edcouch-Elsa High School in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

The pupils were arraigned before Justice of the Peace Uvaldo Lopez on misdeameanor charges of loitering on the school grounds. The complaint was filed by Principal M. L. Pipkin after the pupils refused to comply with Pipkin's repeated requests for them to leave the school ground.

Five Identified

Lopez identified those arrested as Mirtala Villarreal, Homer Trevino, Freddie Sainz, Arnulfo Sustaita, and Xavier Ramirez. Miss Villarreal was released upon her own recognizance and the others were held in the Hidalgo County Jail at Edinburg.

The boycott grew out of the denial by the school board of a request to meet with pupils and discuss a list of 15 demands drawn up by the pupils. They asked that the meeting be held Wednesday, and when the school board did not comply, the students began a boycott of classes Thursday that continued through Friday.

Among the complaints lodged by the demonstrating pupils, is one that there is "blatant discrimination" by faculty members against the 96 per cent Mexican-American pupil population at the high school. The faculty is 70 per cent Mexican-American, Pipkin said.

Movement Backer

The newly formed Mexican-American Youth Organization (MAYO) was believed to be backing the student movement, but student leader Ramirez said the boycott was being carried out by a "student committee."

Pipkin said he had obtained a list of the complaints and had asked the student council to go over them and determine if the student body agreed with demands.

The walkout carried into Friday with considerably fewer participants.

Where some 200 paraded Thursday, there were fewer than 100 Friday.

During the hearing before Lopez, the small justice of the

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peace office was jammed, and hundreds stood around outside. The protesters were rushed in by truck and later left by truck.

150 Expelled

Pipkin expelled all the 150 who walked out Thursday and will submit their names to the school board Monday night for permanent expulsion under a policy that the board adopted recently.

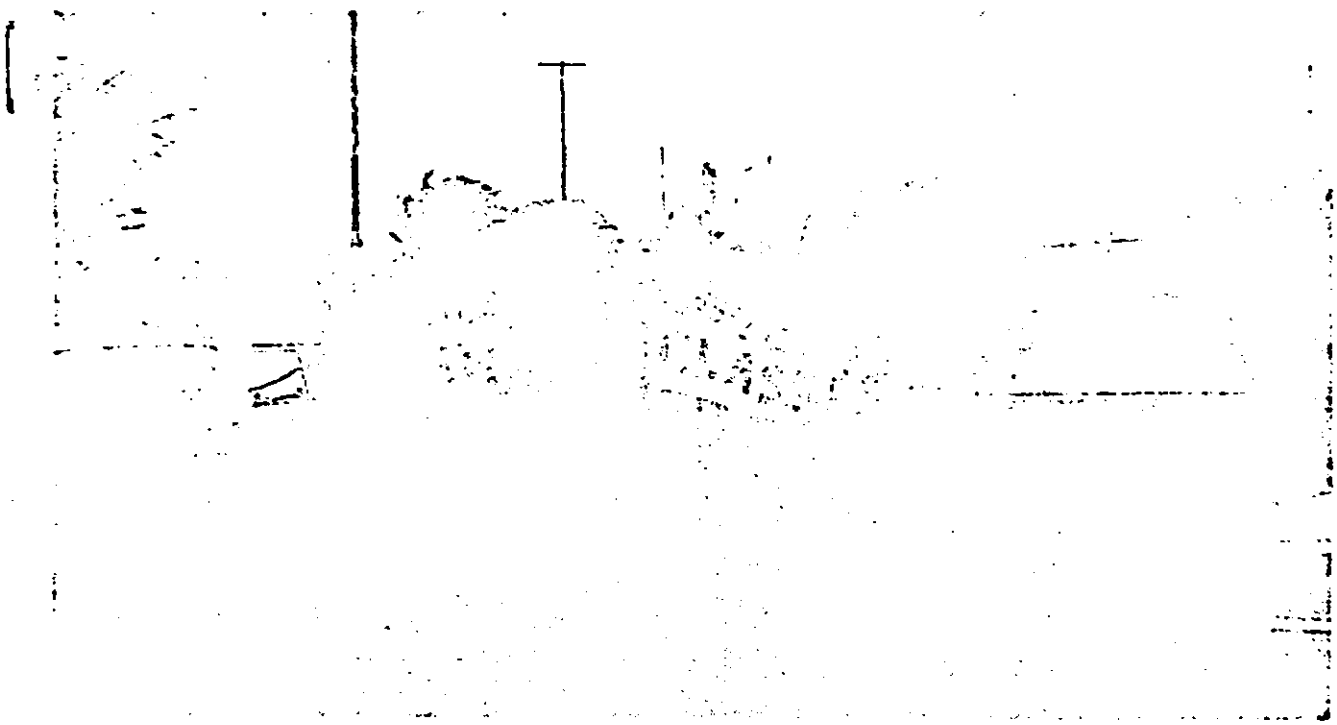
In the meantime at Weslaco Supt. N. M. Henson sent letters in Spanish and English to all students outlining policy on such activities as that at Edcouch-Elsa.

An assembly at Weslaco was devoted to a discussion of the problem.

Weslaco has a different situation from Edcouch-Elsa in that a city ordinance prohibits loitering within 500 feet of a campus. Also Weslaco has a police department with authority to enforce the ordinance.

Edcouch-Elsa school is located in an area outside the two communities for which it is named and only the county and state officials have authority on the campus.

The Mercedes school administration and school districts elsewhere in the Valley are making preparations in case of protests such as the one at Edcouch-Elsa.



BOYCOTT SIGN IN VALLEY — Students are shown with boycott sign at Edcouch-Elsa High School in the Rio Grande Valley. The pupils boycotted the school for the second straight day Friday to protest failure of the school board to take action on demands made by a group of militant Mexican-American pupils. For story see Page 1A.

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WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE
CITY, TEXAS

The following article appeared in the November 17, 1968, issue of The Monitor at McAllen, Texas.

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E-E Campus Quiet Saturday after Six Arrested

EDCOUCH — The campus of Edcouch-Elsa High School was quiet Saturday, but Principal M. L. Pipkin warned it could be just "the lull before the real storm."

Monday figures to be the climactic day in a school controversy that resulted Friday in six students being arrested. The arrests triggered a mass rally in front of the Hidalgo County jail before the last of the students was freed shortly after 1 a.m. Saturday.

More than 100 students demonstrated on campus Friday morning, and Pipkin figures most of them will be on hand again when classes resume Monday.

"We plan to take every possible legal action against all students and outsiders who are loitering on the campus Monday," the principal said.

A school board meeting — which had been sought last week by the protesters — will be held Monday at 8 p.m., at which time the board will listen to the complaints of the student group. The students have a list of demands and charges including alleged "blatant discrimination."

Pipkin said he hoped the arrests Friday would have a "sobering effect" on the protesters, but added, "I am anticipating they will be back Monday."

The arrests Friday afternoon triggered an exodus to the Hidalgo County jail where five of the students were held. One of the six arrested was a girl, Mirtala Villarreal, a 17-year-old junior, and she was released on her own recognizance immediately after arraignment at the recommendation of Sheriff E. E. Vickers.

The other five were Homer Trevino, 19, a senior; Freddy Saenz, 16, a sophomore held as a juvenile by order of Judge J. C. Boyd; Xavier Ramirez, 17, a senior and spokesman for the demonstrators; Arnulfo Sustaita, 19, and Artemio Salinas. Ramirez was arrested outside the office of Justice of the Peace Uvaldo Lopez of Edcouch several blocks from the school, and Salinas was picked up by Deputy Tom Freeman after the arrest of the others.

Lopez set bond of $500 each on the charge of "loitering on campus." The charge carries a maximum penalty of $25 fine.

Friday afternoon a large crowd gathered at the jail, but dispersed after McAllen attorney Bob Sanchez promised to arrange surety bonds for the youths. Both Lopez and Vickers said the youths would be released if a responsible adult would sign for them.

However, only Sustaita had been released on bond by Friday night, and the crowd re-

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ed the [illegible] around 200, while A[illegible] District Attorney Ji[illegible] Skelton said the crowd numbered over 300.

Many in the crowd carried candles, while some held banners saying, "Free the Students." For a time the crowd sang, "We Shall Overcome."

Skelton said the big crowd was orderly at all times. He said the group was made up of about 75 per cent young people, including some college students and students from other high schools in addition to Edcouch-Elsa. Many parents were in the crowd as well as some PASO leaders and VISTA

[illegible] explosive situation [illegible] with the large [illegible] of visitors at the jail [illegible] after meeting between [illegible] manager Gary Gwen, police chief A. C. Gonzalez and city attorney Ralph Vidaurri decided to arrange surety bonds.

After informing the crowd about midnight bonds would be arranged for the youths, the crowd began to leave. The last youth left the jail around 1:20 a.m.

The embattled Edcouch Elsa principal has stood firm through the trying demonstra-

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tions and promised Saturday he would not yield. "My teachers will not permit me to yield," Pipkin said. He said his faculty, which includes 22 Latin-American teachers out of 45, is more "unified than ever before."

"We have attempted to evaluate this thing as realistically as possible," Pipkin said. "Our stand will be firm. We have met with parents and discussed the matter since the walkout began, and they (the parents) are very, very concerned."

The principal said students remaining in class are "violently" opposed to the demonstrations.

On the scene Friday when the arrests were made was Joe Uriega of Washington, D. C., who identified himself as an investigator for the U.S. Civil Rights Commission. Uriega attempted to protest the arrests both at the campus and at the J. P. office, but was cut short by the sheriff.

Vickers told him firmly he was in charge and that if the investigator wished to sue, he was the person responsible.

All six are among the 149 Mexican - American students suspended for three days as a result of the walkout Thursday morning. School officials say they will be expelled for the semester under school board policy against demonstrations when trustees meet Monday night.

It was Friday morning when Pipkin announced he would file charges against the boys and girls for their noisy demonstrations, which were disrupting classes.

The kids had gathered at one corner of the campus for refreshments being served from a car at the time the sheriff and his deputies emerged from the school building with the warrants. Trevino's name was called first and the complaint was read to him and he was advised he was under arrest.

Similar procedure was followed in each of the arrests.

The four served on the campus were then placed in the sheriff's cars for the short trip down the highway to Lopez' office. The other students and adults, along with a number of reporters, followed the officers to the arraignment.

A few crowded into the small office, while a large number remained on the outside chanting and cheering. Judge Lopez called fo rthe door to be shut because of the noise.

After the officers left with the four boys for the jail in Edinburg, the crowd returned to the campus and the students immediately began another demonstration.

Teachers rushed to the door with a clip board attempting to identify those involved.

Pipkin called Lopez again and said more charges would be filed.

"What else can I do?" he asked.

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CITY, TEXAS

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English Vital For Students

With varying degrees of insistence, school authorities of the Valley have laid down a policy against the use of Spanish in the classroom and playground, except of course in Spanish language classes.

This is one of 15 items of complaint which a group of students in the Elsa-Edcouch area have cited as being "discriminatory" in nature.

It would seem to us that it is not only reasonable but extremely persuasive that the use of English during the school day should be encouraged. This is not a matter of "discrimination" but simply a method of trying to improve the student's fluency in the language which happens to be the prevalent and official one of the county in which he is living.

Among the real, as opposed to apparent, disadvantages of the "disadvantaged" people of this country is difficulty with the English language. Anyone with an obvious and nagging deficiency in the use of English is, in this country, at a distinct disadvantage, not because of discrimination (using that word as a synonym for prejudice or bias) but because that person lacks a very basic tool for his own well-being.

A genius in the engineering department who cannot communicate his thoughts with accuracy and ease is a self-contained little package, working largely for his own amusement.

Fluency in more than one language is a splendid accomplishment — an advantage, if you will. But to be barely literate in two languages and accomplished in neither is not helpful.

Keeping — or perfecting—knowledge of Spanish is commendable. But the mere fact that Spanish is the "natural" language used by the student outside the classroom is indicative of his lack of comfort with English. No laws passed by the government and no sermons preached from the pulpit will erase the disadvantage of the man or woman whose English is crude or halting.

The effort at self-improvement dictates that young people should accept willingly the challenge to learn to use the English language, not gingerly as one wears a stiff shirt at a formal function, but as the language of first instance and a source of comfort and advancement.

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WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE
CITY, TEXAS

The following article appeared in the November 19, 1968, issue of Valley Morning Star at Harlingen, Texas.

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E-E High School Suspensions

Hearings Start This Afternoon

By NOLENE RODGES

EDCOUCH — Three-day suspensions, previously meted out to some 150 Mexican-American students engaging in a class boycott at Edcouch-Elsa high school, were "extended temporarily" by action of the school board Monday night.

The extension is to be effective until trustees "can give each student, with his parents and attorney, an opportunity to appear before the board to show reason why he or she should not be expelled for the remainder of the semester."

The hearings are to start this afternoon.

The board adopted a policy recently calling for permanent expulsion of any student participating in walkouts or campus demonstrations.

Largest Crowd

Probably the largest crowd ever to assemble at any school board meeting in the area was on hand for the session.

Sheriff E. E. Vickers and Dist. Atty. Oscar McInnis were among the observers.

Bob Sanchez, McAllen attorney, appeared for the students involved in the walkout, which began Thursday morning. The students said the class boycott resulted after the board declined to hold a special session to hear their demands last Wednesday.

Sanchez outlined demands, recommendations and complaints of the student group and called for all to be reinstated in school while the trustees hold the individual hearings.

Trustees also ignored a recommendation by Sanchez that an 18-member committee of students, teachers, parents and board members be appointed to look into the charges.

Answer Charges

Board President Billie Collum, Supt. A. W. Bell, Principal M. L. Pipkin, Migrant Director Martin Pena and other faculty members answered the charges out before the meeting by Sanchez one by one.

One of the demands — that Mexican - American students be allowed to speak Spanish in campus — drew the report from Bell that such a rule had been dropped as long as six years

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ago. Nobody challenged his statement.

Sanchez told the board the striking students had legitimate complaints.

"Believe me, they didn't enjoy this boycott," Sanchez asserted. "I am serious when I tell you these students want to come back to school. We are not here in arrogance . . . we will meet you half way."

He said he realized "some of these demands" cannot be taken care of immediately.

Some Not Local

Bell, in recommending that the board take up the case of each *student individually* while continuing the suspension, said there were a "lot of people who were not students" associated with the walkout, including "a lot of people who didn't live here."

He said the trustees and administration are faced with a situation "I do not like simply because I don't think there is a good solution."

The superintendent said "what it boils down to is simply this . . . who shall control and operate the school system. Shall the board of shall the students?"

The dissident students have charged "blatant discrimination" and asked that non punishment e afforded them and that all mention of the wallout be *omitted from school records.*

Roll Call Vote

On the motion to continue suspension temporarily until hearings are held before the board, Cellum called for a roll call vote. There were five yes votes including that of Cellum and one member, Israel Montoya, abstained.

Among those present was Dr. Hector Garcia of Corpus Christi, a member of the U. S. Civil Rights Commission. There also were representatives of VISTA, PASO, MAYO and the Mexican-American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, all of whom have supported the class boycott.

As the board took its action, the crowd which packed the library where the meeting was held began streaming outside. A public address system was set up in the parking lot and Dr. Garcia and others spoke in Spanish.

The outside rally was short-lived, however.

Spokesman Speaker

Javier Ramirez, 17-year-old senior who is spokesman for the student rebellion, said he felt the students were "cut down" by the board. He said a decision still was to be made on what procedure to follow next.

He and other leaders in the revolt said they felt the board action was unsatisfactory to them.

Cellum called on the students and parents to make arrangements to appear before the board concerning expulsion for each.

"They want us to be to get back in," Eddy Gonzalez, another of the walkout leaders, said. "We won't do it."

The superintendent said the board and administration wanted to handle the matter as "rapidly as we can, so you will know if you get back in school quickly." He said the decision also would be made without delay in the event Sanchez wanted "to take other action."

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM
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CITY, TEXAS

The following article appeared in the November 24, 1968, issue of The Monitor at McAllen, Texas.

31 Expelled, 94 Remain On Suspension at E-E

EDCOUCH — Thirty-one Mexican American students involved in a class boycott at the Edcouch Elsa Junior-Senior High School have been expelled for the semester, while another 94 remain on indefinite suspension.

Forty - seven have been returned to school on probation, a statement released by the board Friday disclosed.

Two of the 175 pupils suspended originally as a result of the walkout, which began Nov. 14, were returned to classes immediately upon meeting with the board, due to a lack of evidence of their participation.

The Friday statement was the first official accounting on the walkout and demonstrations. The only figure released previously on the number involved was 140.

Suspended students, their parents and attorneys were extended an opportunity to appear before the board and give reasons why they should not be expelled for the remainder of the semester, "under provisions of established board policy."

School officials had no comment on the matter, but citizens in the area were of the opinion most of the 94 failing by Friday to ask for a hearing before the board would not seek reinstatement in that manner.

The striking students have been aided and advised by representatives of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission and lawyers on the staff of the Mexican - American Legal Defense and Educational Fund.

Court action has been mentioned by the dissidents from time to time.

It was pointed out in the statement the school board had been in almost continuous session since Tuesday afternoon. As of Friday, all suspended students asking to meet with the board had been heard on an individual basis — 81 of them.

whose presence in the school, the board believed would not adversely affect the welfare of the school or the best interests of the other students," the statement said.

The board said in the statement it wanted to commend "those students who remained in school and expresses its appreciation to the Junior-Senior High School faculty and administration for their excellent performance of duties under adverse circumstances."

The statement was released at the office of Supt. A. W. Bell, who was not available for comment.

It said the 47 returned to classes would be "on probation which requires good behavior," but did not spell out terms such as participation in extra curricular activities.

Also remaining unanswered was whether the returning students will be permitted to make up work missed. Six-week tests were held Thurday and Friday.

Most of those reinstated on probation resumed classes Thursday morning and a few more returned Friday morning.

There was an unconfirmed report that one of the reinstated pupils was suspended again Friday.

The striking students had listed 15 demands concerning school policy and conditions. One of the demands was that no disciplinary action be taken against them and that all mention of it be deleted from school records.

There was still evidence of the walkout Friday throughout the day as some of the students and symphathizers picketed along the highway shoulder in front of the school.

Edcouch - Elsa hosted the Rio Grande City football game Friday night in the last home game of the season and special precautions were taken to handle any trouble or interference from demonstrators.

The school district, one of the smallest in area in the state, has received nationwide publicity on the student revolt. Other school districts in the Valley have been in close touch with the situation.

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• NEWSPAPER OF ORGANIZATION INDICATES

MAYO Gets Valley Foothold

"I have a gringo friend! Is he really my friend?"

This notation in large hard-written print is one of a number of such remarks scattered throughout an "underground" 8 - page newspaper, Hoy (today), published by South Texas MAYO (Mexican American Youth Organization). Stories in the paper — written both English and Spanish — indicate MAYO has the beginnings of a strong foothold among youth in the Valley.

The article explains the organization and reveals how widespread MAYO is in the Valley:

"MAYO is the only organization in the entire Valley consisting of only the Mexican-American youth. This organization, which consists of college, junior high and high school students is spreading rapidly throughout South Texas.

"This organization was established for the sole purpose of uniting the Mexican - American people and showing them that there are ways they can get higher wages and a better education. Mostly, MAYO concentrates in bringing out pride in chicano youths as well as grown - ups.

"Valley towns presently in MAYO are San Juan, Pharr, Edinburg, Elsa - Edcouch, (where MAYO was active in the recent student boycott) La Villa, Weslaco, Mercedes and Mission."

Notably absent from those listed is McAllen, largest city in Hidalgo County. The McAllen schools have a policy against belonging to organizations such as the Sub - Debs, and this policy presumably would apply to MAYO as well.

Stories in the paper indicate that the movement is getting support from some groups in the Valley. One story reports a MAYO fund - raising dance held in Pharr, where the "parish hall was obtained free from St. Margaret's Church." Another reports a MAYO raffle held in the San Juan Catholic School auditorium.

Some of the stories attack alleged discrimination. One, concerning use of Spanish in schools, charges: "Turn everything around and see how they (anglos) like it. For you Mexican - American people out there that already think and want to be anglos and who ask, why Spanish? Here's the reason: Anglos. We are so closely related to Mexicans and are in contact with its people everyday. We hear the language everyday and it's all around us. It's our native tongue and we're proud of it. So why doesn't the anglo learn it. I'll tell you why. Because he thinks it's dirty. And because it comes from the Mexican - American which they think are dirty and lazy. In other words we are not good enough for them. That is, according to them."

Another story raps alleged questioning of absentee notes at Pharr - San Juan - Alamo High School. It charges, "How about the anglos? It is believed that they have it easier than the chicanos. They may be asked such questions, but after those questions comes a warm and friendly smile. Why be unequal to students? Should we call these acts of our administrations rude acts? Have they acted so because they too like favoritism or is it some form of discrimination?"

Another story tells of two PSJA Mexican - American youths killed in a recent train wreck, then asks, "Why did the school not provide a moment's silence memory of these youths without having to be pressured by their fellow students?"

A cartoon in the paper shows a panel of four pictures of a cowboy with these captions: "First we gave in and let them go to school with us, then we gave in and let them eat at the same place we do, then we gave in and let 'em run for office. Phew! Next thing you know these ill Mexicans will want to govern themselves, the ungrateful little wretches."

Another article written by Jose Angel Gutierrez, who is identified as a graduate student in government and head of MAYO, charges the "establishment" in Texas is controlled by "gringos."

In the article he charges Mexican - Americans are forced to give up their culture, heritage and dignity as men to be accepted as an American.

"Fortunately for the establishment," he says, "the Mexican - American, the black people and the anglos keep on swallowing" ideas pushed by the establishment.

He adds, "We will join forces as soon as Mexican - Americans

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stop trying to be one gringos when anglos realize some of their own are gringos and when the blacks see us as brothers."

One other blurb in the paper:

"We urge every chicano to do his best to educate himself." Few would disagree with this pronouncement.

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Re Pittsburgh teletypes to Bureau dated 11/15 and 11/23/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an LHM regarding above-captioned demonstration.

The sources utilized in the LHM are as follows:

The first source is [redacted]

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LHM is classified "Confidential" inasmuch as data reported from [redacted] could reasonably result in identification of a confidential informant of continuing value and compromise future effectiveness thereof.

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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November 26, 1968

DEMONSTRATION MARCH,
NOVEMBER 26, 1968, BY
UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

On November 15, 1968, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Albert Rojas, a representative of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC), has obtained a permit for a march to be held on November 23, 1968, at Pittsburgh. The source further advised that the march was to begin in the Hill District, a predominently Negro section of Pittsburgh, and proceed to an area of downtown Pittsburgh known as Point Park. According to the source, the aim of the UFWOC is to gain union recognition for grape pickers in California, and as a means to that end, Rojas has been in Pittsburgh for sometime organizing a campaign to discourage the use of California grapes. The source advised there were indications that civil disobedience might occur during the march.

On November 23, 1968, a second source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that at about 10:55 AM, on November 23, 1968, a parade of approximately 128 individuals composed of both blacks and whites marched from the Hill District of Pittsburgh to Point Park in downtown Pittsburgh. The source further advised that the march was led by Albert Rojas, a representative of the UFWOC, and was held in support of the California grape pickers and their

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national grape boycott. Along the way, the marchers delayed their parade to walk three times around the Hendel Fruit Market, which is located at the intersection of Forbes Avenue and Market Street. This was done to protest that market's selling of California grapes. The entire contingent arrived at Point Park at about 12:00 noon, where the participants heard speeches by the following individuals who voiced their support for the UFWOC:

Albert Fondy, President of the Pittsburgh Federation of Teachers Union (PFT).

Albert Rojas, a representative of the UFWOC and organizer of the demonstration.

Charles Harris, a representative of the Pittsburgh Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

James McCoy, a representative of the Pittsburgh Chapter of the NAACP.

Tom Boynton,(phonetic), a student of the University of Pittsburgh and a member of the Black Action Society.

The Black Action Society is a campus-approved organization at the University of Pittsburgh.

Thomas Flaherty, a representative of the City Council of Pittsburgh.

Steve Lawrence, a student at Carnegie-Mellon University (CMU) and a member of the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS).

The Students for a Democratic Society is characterized in the Appendix hereto.

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BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

The source advised that at Point Park, Rojas distributed to each participant one grape, a plain envelope and the address of President-Elect Richard M. Nixon, Pierre Hotel, New York City, New York. Each person receiving the above was instructed to mash the grape, place it in the envelope and mail it to Nixon at the New York address.

The source advised that the entire parade was entirely orderly and peaceful, and no acts of civil disobedience were committed by the participants. The demonstration disbanded at 12:50 PM, after the speeches were finished.

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BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

APPENDIX

STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY

The Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), as it is known today, came into being at a founding convention held at Port Huron, Michigan, in June, 1962. The SDS is an association of young people on the left and has a current program of protesting the draft, promoting a campaign for youth to develop a conscientious objector status, denouncing United States intervention in the war in Vietnam, and to "radically transform" the university community, and provide for its complete control by students. Gus Hall, General Secretary, Communist Party, USA, when interviewed by a representative of United Press International in San Francisco, California, on May 14, 1965, described the SDS as a part of the "responsible left" which the Party has "going for us." At the June, 1965, SDS National Convention, an anti-communist proviso was removed from the SDS constitution. In the October 7, 1966, issue of "New Left Notes," the official publication of SDS, an SDS spokesman stated that there are some communists in SDS and they are welcome. The national headquarters of this organization as of July 24, 1968, was located in Room 206, 1608 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois.

APPENDIX

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI [illegible] DATE 12/11/68

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SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

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OO: SA

Re San Antonio letter to the Bureau, 11/27/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an LHM reflecting continued newspaper coverage of the student boycott Edcouch-Elsa, Texas, High School

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San Antonio, Texas

December 11, 1968

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

The following articles appeared in McAllen and Harlingen, Texas, newspapers concerning the student boycott at Edcouch-Elsa, Texas, High School.

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING
FARM WORKERS STRIKE
IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

The following article appeared in the November 25, 1968, issue of The Monitor at McAllen, Texas:

AT HEARING IN BROWNSVILLE

VISTA Linked to Boycott

BROWNSVILLE — VISTA volunteers this morning were revealed as financial underwriters of a student strike and boycott at Edcouch-Elsa High School.

The role played by VISTA came to light during the opening of testimony in U.S. District Court here on a request by parents of five expelled students for a temporary restraining order prohibiting the school district from barring any of the student strikers from class. The suit also asks a permanent injunction and $50,000 in damages.

VISTA's part in the demonstration came out when Jim Bates, Edinburg attorney representing the school district, cross-examined Mirtala Villarreal, 17, one of the student leaders of the strike.

Miss Villarreal admitted the printing job on the students' 15 demands was underwritten by local VISTA volunteers and that VISTA had provided she and several other students with an attorney.

She said she could not remember the attorney's name, but Bob Sanchez McAllen attorney for the students, stipulated he was Mike Gonzalez, an attorney whom Sanchez pointed out in the courtroom.

Bates asked how much the VISTA group had agreed to spend on the campaign against the Edcouch-Elsa School Board, and she replied, "Whatever we needed."

Bates asked if it was not true that an Edcouch-Elsa teacher had contacted local VISTA leader Joe Uriegas of Pharr. She insisted that the students had called VISTA into the demonstration, but that she could not remember who made the initial call.

Throughout the Villarreal girl's testimony, U.S. District Judge Reynaldo Garza questioned her about the intent of the strikers and especially about the distance between them and the school building where classes were being held. Toward the end of her testimony, Garza snapped that the student stand was "ridiculous."

At the same time he warned school administrators that they would have to prove their action in expelling the young rebels was legal.

"I am not in favor of a bunch of students telling the school board. 'You've got to have a special meeting,'" he said. "I have no doubt these things (the students' demands) have been there for years and suddenly it's, 'We're going to have a demonstration.'

"I have no doubt outside agitators are involved but I'm not here to rule on the merits of the case. I'm here strictly to determine whether or not a temporary restraining order should be issued so that these children will not miss further classes."

Garza said state law upholds the right of any school system to expel students for disciplinary purposes, but only if the students are given a full hearing prior to the action.

The hearing was expected to continue this afternoon.

ACTIVITIES CONCERNING
FARM WORKERS STRIKE
IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

The following article appeared in the November 26, 1968, issue of Valley Morning Star at Harlingen, Texas:

VISTA Sponsored Strike

Judge Rules Students Due Hearing

BROWNSVILLE, Tex. - Federal district judge Reynaldo Garza ruled Monday that rebellious students suspended or expelled without prior hearing in the Edcouch-Elsa school boycott must be readmitted to classes.

He added, however, that school officials may expel any of them if they provide such hearing, and be authorized faculty members to comprise any such hearing board in lieu of school board members.

The school board last week faced three days of marathon sessions with 81 of the youngsters who wanted reinstatement.

Garza's ruling which came at the end of some three hours deliberation, following a brief morning session, was at best half a victory for the militant student group which was suing the school board not only for temporary and permanent injunctions against expulsions and suspensions but also for $50,000 in alleged damages.

In his order, Garza emphasized that he was making no ruling as to the merits of the case involving the student walkout itself or the demand for compensation. He also stated the restraining order he was granting in no way affects the right or authority of the school to act in cases involving students that might have participated" in the walkout, or "as to their conduct in the future."

Following the hearing, Garza said the next step would be to "rule upon the merits of the case itself." He added, however, that his court docket "was heavily jammed" and that he had no idea when the next phase of the case would get underway.

During Monday's hearings one of the students said VISTA volunteers had offered to finance the school strike earlier this month.

Mirtala Villarreal, 17, said Volunteers in Service to America, an Office of Economic Opportunity organization, had offered striking students whatever they needed in the way of finances, includig retaining an attorney.

Miss Villarreal, one of the leaders of the student strike, revealed the offer under questioning of Edcouch-Elsa school board attorney Jim Bates, also state senator from Edinburg.

Filed Suit

Five expelled students, including Miss Villarreal, filed a suit against the school board seeking both temporary and permanent restraining orders against expulsions ordered by the board. Miss Villarreal was arrested Nov. 15 on charges of loitering on the school grounds where about 150 of the striking students were staging a noisy rally.

Under Bates' questioning Miss Villarreal said VISTA workers, led by Joe Uriegas of Pharr, had paid for the printing job on the list of 15 demands the students drafted for the school board. The walkout came when the board refused to call a special meeting to hear the students' demands.

Relevance

Ramiro Mela of San Antonio, one of the attorneys for the students, objected to Bates' line of questioning, saying it had "no relevance" in the case.

"Oh yes it does," snapped federal district Judge Reynaldo Garza. "I want to know who is behind all this business."

Toward the end of the morning session Garza suddenly interrupted proceedings with a blast at the student demonstration, which he termed "ridiculous." He warned school officials, however, they would have to prove to him that none of the students participating in the strike were expelled without prior hearing.

Expelled

Of the approximately 175 students who walked out of the classroom, some 35 have been expelled. The rest either have returned to their classes or were left under suspension because they ignored the board's offer to mediate the question.

The suit which the five student leaders have filed also sought $50,000 in damages.

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ACTIVITIES CONCERNING
FARM WORKERS
IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS

The following article appeared in the December 1, 1968, issue of The Monitor at McAllen, Texas:

Contract Will Extend Valley Operation

VISTA Official Claims Walkout By Weslaco Students Was Headed Off

VISTA volunteers apparently are going to remain in the Valley and expand their operations under a contract being negotiated by the Office of Economic Opportunity and the Leo Cramer Corp. of Washington.

At the same time, one of the Hidalgo County VISTA supervisors, admitting his organization has "a black eye" in the Valley, said he hoped that such incidents as the Edcouch-Elsa school walkout in which VISTA was involved can be avoided in the future.

"I fact," Christ Quintanilla of Edinburg, the supervisor, declared, "We've already headed off a similar walkout in the Weslaco schools."

The contract being negotiated in Washington would provide between 150 and 180 VISTA volunteers for an area from Brownsville to El Paso by next spring.

According to Quintanilla, the new contract would not increase the scope of VISTA's operation in Hidalgo County, which already has an authorization for 40 volunteers and four supervisors.

The border program would cost between $750,000 and $1 million, an OEO spokesman in Washington said. Of that amount $600,000 would be used to pay volunteers The Army Finance Center in Illinois is the disbursement agency for salaries of VISTA volunteers.

The Leo Cramer Corp., a private company involved in the VISTA program on a contract basis with the government, would receive approximately $175,000 to $200,000 to pay the 15 to 20 supervisors and pay office and travel expenses.

Quintanilla said under the contract 10 VISTA volunteers would be sent to Starr County for the first time. At present Cameron County has "eight or nine" volunteers, Quintanilla said, and Del Rio has 40, San Antonio 30 and El Paso 20.

VISTA was brought to Hidalgo County at the request of the Texas Council of Churches, which as sponsoring agency with approval by the local OEO, still has a hand in supervising activities.

Quintanilla said a Valley Service Committee, made up of Hidalgo County ministers meets once a month with VISTA supervisors to offer guidance and advice. He said "three or four" meetings were held in the past month during the Edcouch-Elsa student boycott.

The VISTA supervisor said there perhaps was some bad judgement on the part of his organization in becoming involved in the student protest.

However, he said the role of VISTA in the strike was "misinterpreted." He explained, "These kids had already had a meeting and then contacted us for help. We worked to get the parents involved with what their kids were doing — right or wrong."

In testimony at a federal court hearing in Brownsville on a successful request for an injunction barring the Edcouch-Elsa School Board from expelling any of the student agitators without a hearing, it was brought out that VISTA paid for printing the lists of student demands and for legal assistance for the students.

(See VISTA Page 3A)

Quintanilla, supervisor of an area covering Weslaco, Donna, Mercedes and Alamo, said his workers in Weslaco had been contacted by students who "wanted to do the same thing the Edcouch-Elsa students did."

"Somehow they thought VISTA was the ring leader," the Edinburg man said. "One of my volunteers in particular did a marvelous job in getting these kids organized into other activities. I don't think we will have the same trouble in Weslaco as we did in Edcouch-Elsa."

Quintanilla said despite bad publicity given VISTA, he believes the organization can be a big asset to the Valley. "Our main job is to work with the poor and help them help themselves," he said.

"In the towns in which my volunteers are working we have good relations with city and school officials. We have organized citizens into committees to seek such things as improvements to streets and sanitation, and in one town, we are attempting to set up a membership grocery store to provide savings on food bills."

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ACTIVITIES [illegible]
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IN RIO GRA[illegible]

The following article appeared in the December 2, 1968, issue of Valley Morning Star at Harlingen, Texas:

The VISTA Thing

FEDERAL AUTHORITIES would be well advised, in our view to make a thorough-going investigation of the sort of "community involvement" practiced by the Volunteers In Service for America (VISTA).

"Involvement" is a word which lends itself to all sorts of interpretations, and it would be interesting to find out if the taxpayer is supporting a group whose involvement includes fomenting discord, demonstrations and defiance of authority. As U.S. Dist. Judge Reynaldo Garza said in his courtroom last week it would be instructive to discover whether the demonstrations staged by students in the Edcouch-Elsa high school were motivated and encouraged by outside sources.

VISTA people seem to have been involved, according to the sworn testimony of one witness. VISTA has denied it, but we published a picture of a VISTA "observer" sitting in a government car at the scene of the demonstration.

It should be explained why VISTA is "observing" a student demonstration and at whose instigation. To whom are these "observers" being reported—and to what purpose? Who offered a lawyer to the demonstrators? Although a VISTA official has denied it, the young lady in the witness box, under oath, recited that the students had been offered financial help and legal aid by VISTA

If VISTA has one of its "community involvements" the agitation of campus demonstrations, it should be explored by an appropriate government agency—perhaps the Department of Justice or a grand jury. It does not seem to us that the taxpayer should be called upon to support agitators. Based on the testimony of the young lady in federal court, an investigation is appropriate. We hope one is forthcoming soon.

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Table Grape Boycott Sought

Migrants Seek Aid at OSU

By FRED KOCHER
Lantern Staff Writer

"The Grapes of Wrath" have become ark reality for thousands of migrant orkers in California. They have come to hio State for help.

Venustiano Olguin, son of a migrant orker and representative of the United arm Workers Boycott Committee, was the United Christian Center Thursday talk with students interested in form- g a grape boycott group at Ohio State.

Thousands of Mexican-Americans have en on strike against California table ape growers for three years. But grow- s allegedly refuse to recognize the orkers' rights to collective barbaining d allegedly import illegal labor to break e strike.

Olguin is traveling across the United ates appealing to people of every litical, economic, and social persuasion help migrant workers get their rights. He is asking housewives, grocers and stitutions to stop buying California ble grapes until the strike is settled.

Agricultural workers and employers are t covered by provisions of the National abor Relations Act (NLRA). Farm orkers have no rights under the law to ek elections for collective bargaining.

California wine grape growers have nally negotiated numerous contracts th organized workers. Most table grape owers have not.

The only recourse left to the migrant rm workers is to apply economic essure until they have won union cognition and collective bargaining.

Migrants are excluded from unemployent insurance and allegedly discrimited against in minimum wage coverage.

These problems exist among migrant farm workers in states other than California. Many problems of migrant farm workers reportedly exist in Ohio. Agricultural employers still enjoy exemption from child labor provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act.

Leader of California's migrant workers is 40-year-old Cesar Chavez, an advocate of non-violence but highly disciplined courage.

Chavez once undertook a 25-day fast as a call to his followers for sacrifice and non-violence.

Olguin said Thursday an Ohio State student boycott group could persuade the University to get rid of all grapes from cafeteria menus. A nationwide boycott would help decrease the price of grapes and force California growers to come to the bargaining table.

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DEMONSTRATION PROTESTING PURCHASE OF GRAPES BY UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AT NEW YORK CITY, JANUARY TWENTY FIFTH, NINETEEN SIXTY NINE, INFORMATION CONCERNING (INTERNAL SECURITY)

A SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT A DEMONSTRATION AND PICKET LINE PROTESTING THE PURCHASE OF GRAPES BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TOOK PLACE AT TWO FIFTY TWO SEVENTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NEW YORK, ON JANUARY TWENTY FIFTH, NINETEEN SIXTY NINE. THE DEMONSTRATION BEGAN AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M. AND ENDED AT ELEVEN FORTH FIVE A.M. APPROXIMATELY THREE HUNDRED PEOPLE PARTICIPATED, MOST OF THEM OF HIGH SCHOOL AGE.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

DATE: 1/31/69

FROM : SAC, SAN ANTONIO (62-3269) (P)

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SUBJECT: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Reurlets 1-31-69 and 2-10-69.

Relet dated 2-10-69 enclosed six copies each of six newspaper stories which appeared in Rio Grande Valley newspapers during the period 1-30-69 - 2-3-69. Relet dated 1-31-69 enclosed seven copies of a letterhead memorandum which memorandum consisted solely of a Xerox copy of a newspaper article concerning captioned matter.

The copies of the six newspaper stories in their present form are not suitable for dissemination and consequently are of no material value to the Bureau. A letterhead memorandum consisting solely of a Xerox copy of a newspaper article is hardly considered a professional product worthy of dissemination to other Federal agencies by a highly sophisticated intelligence organization like the FBI.

Additionally, the Bureau generally has no interest in the continuing harangue involved in lengthy drawn-out strike activities. We are interested in these activities should there be incidents of violence or activities which are in violation of Federal laws or where there is an indication of subversive domination, control or influence.

In the future, you should be circumspect in submitting information such as that enclosed with referenced letters. All pertinent information should be submitted in form suitable for dissemination. If you include newspaper articles in letterhead memoranda, it is desirable to synopsize the article rather than include a Xerox copy of the article itself. Should there be a subversive element involved in these activities, submit appropriate communication under the caption of the subversive element, followed by the caption of the particular strike activity involved.

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RE: ACTIVITIES CONCERNING FARM WORKERS
STRIKE IN RIO GRANDE CITY, TEXAS
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NOTE:

San Antonio submitted as enclosures to relets many Xerox copies of newspaper articles concerning the farm labor strife which has been prevalent in the Rio Grande Valley area for more than three years. These articles, many of which contain no information of jurisdictional or intelligence value to the FBI, were submitted in form not suitable for dissemination and as such, serve no useful purpose. Above being sent to San Antonio to clarify the Bureau's position regarding these activities and to reiterate the proper manner in which information of value should be submitted to the Bureau.

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9:42 PM URGENT 2/14/69 ETA

TO DIRECTOR

FROM DETROIT (100-NEW)

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DISTURBANCE AT GRAND RAPIDS JUNIOR COLLEGE, ONE FOUR THREE BOSTWICK, N.E., GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., AND ANTICIPATE[redacted] DEMONSTRATION IN SUPPORT OF CALIF. GRAPE BOYCOTT AT MEIJER SUPERMARKET, FOUR TWO FIVE FULLER, N.E., GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., FEBRUARY FOURTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYNINE; SM - STAG.

XEROX FEB 25 1969

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AT FIVE P.M., FEBRUARY FOURTEEN, INSTANT, RELIABLE SOURCES AT GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., ADVISED THAT AT APPROXIMATELY TWO O'CLOCK P.M. ON THIS DATE, A TRADITIONAL VALENTINE DAY DANCE WAS SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE AT CAPTIONED JUNIOR COLLEGE [redacted] MUSICAL GROUP HEADED BY ONE JAMES WASSERMAN HAD BEEN RETAINED TO PLAY FOR THIS DANCE, HOWEVER, SEVERAL YOUTHFUL WHITE MALES AND FEMALES APPEARED WITH THE BAND HAVING TOY INSTRUMENTS. SOME OF THESE INDIVIDUALS, BELIEVED TO BE CONNECTED WITH BAND MEMBERS AND BELIEVED TO BE STUDENTS FROM GRAND VALLEY STATE COLLEGE, ALLENDALE, MICH., ATTEMPTED TO SELL LITERATURE AND DISTRIBUTE COPIES OF "THE LANTHORN", A STUDENT PUBLICATION AT GRAND VALLEY STATE COLLEGE. SCHOOL OFFICIALS AT GRAND RAPIDS JUNIOR COLLEGE PROHIBITED THE DISTRIBUTION OF THIS MATERIAL; CANCELLED THE DANCE, AND ORDERED THESE INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING BAND MEMBERS,

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TO LEAVE THE BUILDING. WHEN VERBAL OPPOSITION WAS ENCOUNTERED, SCHOOL OFFICIALS SUMMONED THE GRAND RAPIDS PD, AND RESPONDING OFFICERS CLEARED THE GROUP, ESTIMATED AT TWELVE - FIFTEEN INDIVIDUALS, FROM THE BUILDING. ONE ARREST INVOLVING AN INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFIED AS [redacted] WAS MADE.

ONE OF THE ABOVE SOURCES ADVISED THAT THE ACTIVITY AT GRAND RAPIDS JUNIOR COLLEGE, MENTIONED ABOVE, MAY POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN CONNECTED WITH A BOYCOTT OF THE MEIJER, INC., SUPERMARKETS AT GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., IN SUPPORT OF CALIF. GRAPE WORKERS.

THIS SOURCE ADVISED THAT A MISS LUPE ANGUIANO, A FORMER NUN AND LEADER OF THE CALIF. GRAPE BOYCOTT IN MICH., WAS PUBLICIZED IN THE "GRAND RAPIDS PRESS" NEWSPAPER OF FEBRUARY TWELVE, LAST, AS HAVING SPOKEN AT A NUMBER OF LOCATIONS IN THE GRAND RAPIDS AREA, INCLUDING GRAND VALLEY STATE COLLEGE AND GRAND RAPIDS JUNIOR COLLEGE.

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THIS SOURCE FURTHER INFORMED THAT ACTIVE BOYCOTT ACTIVITY IN CONNECTION WITH THE BOYCOTT ACTION AGAINST MEIJERS, INC., WAS EXPECTED TO OCCUR AT APPROXIMATELY EIGHT PM, FEBRUARY FOURTEEN, INSTANT, AT THE MEIJER MARKET LOCATED AT FOUR TWO FIVE FULLER, N.E., GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

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THE SOURCES MENTIONED ABOVE ARE [redacted]

THE ANTICIPATED ACTIVITY AT MEIJERS, INC., WILL BE FOLLOWED, AND BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF ANY PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

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DEMONSTRATION MAY TEN, NINETEEN SIXTY NINE, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA., INFORMATION CONCERNING.

ON MAY FIVE, LAST, A RELIABLE SOURCE ADVISED THAT A LEAFLET PREPARED BY THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC) WAS BEING DISTRIBUTED ON THE CAMPUSES OF CARNEGIE-MELLON UNIVERSITY (C-UN) AND UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH (UP), PITTSBURGH, PA. THE LEAFLET ANNOUNCED AN INTERNATIONAL DAY OF DEMONSTARATION SPONSORED BY THE UFWOC SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE IN THE UNITED STATES, CANADA AND MEXICO ON MAY TEN NEXT, TO DISCOURAGE THE PURCHASING OF GRAPES AND STOP THE ABUSE OF FARM ~~WORKERS. ACCORD~~ING TO THE LEAFLET, THE ACTIVITIES AT PITTSBURGH INCLUDE AN OUTDOOR MASS AT THE PITTSBURGH PRODUCE TERMINAL ~~AT SIX AM~~, A PARADE BEGINNING AT THE CIVIC ARENA AT ELEVEN AM PROCEEDING TO THE MONONGAHELA WHARF PARKING LOT AND A RALLY AT MARKET SQUARE,

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DOWNTOWN, WHERE SPEAKERS FOR LABOR, WELFARE, CHURCH AND POLITICAL GROUPS WOULD BE HEARD. THE ACTIVITIES WILL CONCLUDE WITH PEACEFUL CONTINGENTS OF DEMONSTRATORS CONTACTING VARIOUS MANAGERS OF LOCAL CHAIN STORES REQUESTING THAT THEY REFRAIN FROM ORDERING CALIFORNIA OR ARIZONA GRAPES FOR THE NINETEEN SIXTY NINE SEASON. THE SOURCE ADVISED THERE WERE NO INDICATIONS THAT CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE WOULD OCCUR DURING THE DEMONSTATION.

ON MAY FIVE, LAST, A SECOND RELIABLE SOURCE ADVISED THAT DURING A RALLY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH ON MAY ONE, LAST, IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED LEAFLET, A LETTER SIGNED BY ALBERT ROJAS, BOYCOTT CO-ORDINATOR FOR THE UFWOC, WAS DISTRIBUTED. THIS LETTER WAS WRITTEN TO THE "FRIEND OF THE FARM WORKERS" URGING THE ADDRESSEE TO WRITE GRAPE PROTEST LETTERS TO OFFICIALS OF THE ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC TEA COMPANY (A&P) AT PITTSBURGH AND NEW YORK CITY. THE SOURCE ADVISED THAT A SAMPLE LETTER WAS ALSO DISTRIBUTED WITH THE ONE SIGNED BY

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ABOVE INFORMATION FURNISHED TO PITTSBURGH PD, ARMY INTELLIGENCE, SECRET SERVICE, OSI, AND USA, PITTSBURGH, PA., AND NISO, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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Texas Council Minister Says He Was Fired for Not Exonerating Rangers

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)
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The Monitor,
McAllen, Texas

Date: 1/30/69
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Author: Kenneth Clark
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Title: Activities...
Farm Workers Strike

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By KENNETH R. CLARK

PHARR — A United Church of Christ minister who was a central figure in the Starr County farm labor dispute two years ago said Wednesday his dismissal by the Texas Council of Churches was the result of his refusal to sign a "compromise agreement" exhonerating the Texas Rangers, charged with brutality by a farm labor union.

The Rev. Ed Krueger, of Pharr, was fired as the TCC's Lower Rio Grande Valley staff member by Harold Kilpatrick, executive director of the interdenominational Protestant group.

"I'm uncertain as to where the pressure came from," Krueger said. "But I have been requested to sign the agreement on several occasions. It's my personal feeling, however, that to approach a thing like this with a feeling of forgiveness is one thing — but you can't change history and say nothing was done wrong."

Krueger said he had been asked to sign the compromise by Bishop W. Kenneth Pope, president of the Texas Council fo Churches, by Kilpatrick, and that the action was "strongly suggested" by the Rev. Carl Berkley, chairman of the council's personnel committee.

Krueger collided with the Texas Rangers when he helped lead efforts of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee to recruit Mexican - American field hands for a strike during the melon harvest of 1966 - 1967, in Starr County.

The activity subsequently resulted in a civil suit filed in U.S. District Court against the Rangers. The court action alleged the lawmen acted on behalf of growers in Starr County to try to break the strike, that their methods were brutal and discriminatory, and that the labor statutes they were enforcing were unconstitutional.

The case, which culminated in a bitter courtroom battle in June, still has not been decided, and Krueger said if a compromise agreement exonerating the Rangers is signed now, he fears it will affect the decision with regard to constitutionality of the labor statutes.

"I feel it would be very unwise at this time," he said. "I'm afraid a compromise also might tend to block any similar action in the future, but I rather imagine some move will be made in this direction."

Krueger also attributed his firing to "antipathy on the part of the established community to our work — the people's refusal to come to grips with some big problems, and a desire not to look at the facts."

Krueger's ministry, as sponsored by the TCC, was devoted to the "barrios," slum areas in Valley cities, and organization of the "colonias" — remote villages where most of the Valley's Mexican - American migrant farm workers live.

He said his labor to establish programs of self - help within the colonias "challenged the paternalistic pattern — a pattern which really keeps people in servitude and a kind of slavery."

"There are a lot of people who believe in democracy in principle," he said, "but when it actually comes down to allowing people to participate in it, effectively and meaningfully, then there are a lot of people who don't believe in democracy after all."

Krueger said he was given no formal reason for his discharge, which he said he did not believe reflected the feeling of the council church's board of directors, and he said he doubted if a successor would be named for his post until after the TCC had merged with the Texas Catholic Conference, to become the Texas Conference of Churches, later this year.

He said he was "not at all bitter" about his firing, that he tded to remain in theen intended to remain in the Valley, and to continue his work among the poor of the colonias.

"My wife and I have no definite plans right now," he said. "Perhaps we'll do farm work. We certainly want to continue our relationship with the people in the colonias and barrios."

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OVER REFUSAL TO FIRE PROGRAM LEADERS

TCC Drops VISTA Sponsorship

PHARR —The controversial VISTA program in Hidalgo County — described as an "absolute mess" by one Texas Council of Churches board member — will be dropped unless a sponsor is found in 30 days.

The TCC Thursday at 2 p.m. officially announced it will no longer sponsor the VISTA program, climaxing an internal battle over who would direct the volunteer workers in the county.

The Rev. W. A. Triggs, pastor of the United Methodist Church in Pharr and a member of the TCC board said severing of ties with the VISTA program was the result of constant political activity on the part of its workers and of refusal of the Austin VISTA administration to discharge three of the program leaders.

Rev. Triggs said an overlap of 30 days would be allowed to phase out the church group's participation in the federally-funded poverty project. Dumping of VISTA came in the wake of the firing of Rev. Edgar Krueger as TCC minister at large to the poor of the Valley's "colonias."

Since VISTA volunteers cannot legally operate without sponsorship the TCC rejection ostensibly eliminated the program in Hidalgo County.

There were rumors today, however, that several others organizations, including the Mexican - American Youth Organization (MAYO), were ready to take them over — rumors which apparently disturbed Rev. Triggs.

"The situation is dangerous," he said "and efforts will be made to see that they stay unspoiled."

At the center of the decision to drop VISTA are Jose Uriegas, VISTA project director for the county, Merle Smith, deputy director, and David Lopez, senior supervisor.

A series of meetings between VISTA officials and TCC board members which started last Sunday finally ended with the TCC washing its hands of the program which had become involved in a number of controversies including the Edcouch - Elsa school walkout and the dispute over location of a neighborhood center in Weslaco.

Attending a Sunday night meeting in Edinburg were OEO member Jim Wilson, Dr. James Reber, TCC VISTA director, Rev. Triggs, Edinburg City Manager Gary Gwyn, Gonzalo Barrentios, Texas VISTA director, George Gault, VISTA director for Texas-Louisiana, and the three local VISTA supervisors.

According to informed sources, discussion of alleged "militancy" on the part of the VISTA leaders arose, and Barrentios, Uriegas, Smith and Lopez walked out of the meeting.

Gault suspended the three local leaders and appointed Chris Quintanilla as director of the county program. Quintanilla called a meeting of the 36 volunteers in the county for Tuesday, but only 11 showed up.

Quintanilla, who resigned his post later that day is now working in the Edinburg "model cities" program, said the three suspended leaders persuaded the others to boycott the meeting.

Gault ordered all of those not showing up fired, but Quintanilla declined to do this. "I felt that many of them were just misdirected," he said.

However, he did fire one of them, Ruben Barrera, whom Quintanilla said attended a

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TCC Dumps VISTA

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recent Edinburg City Commission hearing over sale of land needed by Pan American College. Quintanilla said Barrera, using an assumed name, accused commissioners of "being worse than communists."

Gault's decision to fire Uriegas, Smith and Lopez was overruled in Austin by Ed de la Rosa, VISTA supervisor for a five - state area. As a result of De La Rosa's action, Harold Kilpatrick, executive director of the TCC, notified him by letter that the TCC was dropping its sponsorship.

"Since those members of your staff which we judge to be either inadequate or opening militant in their attitudes are still to be retained in positions of authority, we simply cannot continue," Kilpatrick said in his letter.

The question of VISTA operations in the county had been investigated earlier by the Hidalgo County OEO. At that time OEO board member Wilson said the "court of inquiry" called to investigate charges of political involvement by VISTA decided the program should be continue but that a tighter rein should be exercised over activities of the workers.

Alfredo Flores, OEO director, who has been at odds with the VISTA program in the county, said today it was understanding that MAYO was ready to take over sponsorship.

He said he's heard nothing official to that affect, but he understands MAYO is a "chartered" organization. An organization would have to be chartered to be a sponsor, he said, but MAYO lacks any administrative offices. He said it is possible MAYO could obtain federal funds with which to act as sponsors and set up an office.

The upset in the Hidalgo County Vista activities apparently does not affect any other Vista program in Texas.

Flores said Hidalgo County was the only place where TCC was Vista sponsor. In Cameron County, Laredo and other places, he said, the county OEO Community Action Board sponsors Vista. Also, he said, the Hidalgo County project was a special one — only one of its kind and was entitled "a minority mobilization project."

political struggles of any kind?"

Rev. Triggs said he was told the young volunteers would come to the Valley soley to help the underprivileged "reach a state of self determination through education and organization," that they would have nothing to do with organized labor, and that the Hatch Act forbade them, as Federal employes, to enter into any political struggle.

Rev. Triggs said he voted for sponsorship, but that "almost immediately" the young volunteers were involved in squabbles with the Mission school system, and with the city commissioners of Weslaco over location of a new swimming pool.

"Then came the national elections," he said, "and suddenly my office was swamped with phone calls, with reports of VISTAS being involved in various political intrigues."

That incident, he said, was followed by the Edcouch - Elsa student walkout, which saw nearly 20 militant Mexican - American youngsters strike against the school system in November.

"We have learned, through an authorititative source, that several VISTA workers and supervisors were involved in various ways in the setting up of meetings and organizations in that affair," Rev. Triggs said. "At this time the council called into question its sponsorship."

Rev. Triggs said the council felt as sponsor it had the right to "establish the VISTA program," and "to veto personnel."

"The VISTA organization," he said," has refused to honor this from the start."

"I think the VISTA program could be a very fine thing in this Valley to help solve many complex problems we have," Rev. Triggs said. "But I do not think militancy, foment, and secretiveness is the proper approach."

Rev. Triggs said the Council of Churches got into the VISTA program in April last year, when Bill Hale, the organization's regional director, came to the council seeking sponsorship.

"I posed three questions personally to Mr. Hale at that time," Rev. Triggs said. "They were, "Is the VISTA program to create schism and conflict? Is VISTA to enter into the already established conflict between organized labor and the

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Krueger Dismissal Protested

PHARR — Representatives of several Mexican-American organizations staged a peaceful demonstration outside a Pharr church Sunday to protest the firing of a Texas Council of Churches employe.

Reynaldo de la Cruz, a spokesman for the demonstrators, said the groups were protesting what he called the firing of the Rev. Edgar Krueger, former representative of the Texas Council of Churches in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

Krueger said last Friday he had been discharged after declining to agree to a compromise in a federal court suit the Texas Council of Churches filed against four Texas Rangers.

Alleged Rough Up

The suit was brought by the council in behalf of Krueger, who alleged that he and his wife were roughed up and falsely arrested by Texas Rangers on May 26, 1967 during the farm strike in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

Harold Kilpatrick, executive director of the Texas Council of Churches, said the council had decided to change its mode of operation and asked Krueger to resign before it knew he would not sign the compromise.

Krueger had worked actively with Mexican-American organizations and had helped VISTA volunteers in organizing the poor in small villages in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

The demonstrators gathered outside the United Methodist Church of Pharr. The minister, the Rev. William Triggs, is secretary of the VISTA committee in Hidalgo County and was the apparent target of the demonstration.

Close to 50

Only a few were outside the church as persons were enter-

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ing, but their number had swelled to close to 50 by the time the worship service had ended.

Many of the demonstrators carried picket signs. One read "The church is for justice. Where is justice for Rev. Kreuger?" Another sign said "Is the Texas Council of Churches un-Christian?"

Pharr police stood by outside the church. There were no incidents.

De la Cruz, a former picket captain for the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO, during the Starr County Farm Labor dispute, said several groups also planned to stage a demonstration Monday at the McAllen office of the Texas Employment Commission. He said the demonstrators would be asking for more help from the TEC in finding jobs.

Groups represented at the demonstration Sunday included La Raza Unida, Colonias del Valle, the political association for Spanish Speaking Organizations (PASO), the Mexican-American Youth Organization (MAYO), and the Farm Labor Organizing Committee (FLOC), an Ohio-based farm labor union currently engaged in organizing field hands who migrate northward from the Valley in the summer.

The demonstrators left after the church services were over.

They marched down a main street in Pharr and attended a brief rally held at a drive-in restaurant.

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Corpus Christi Caller,
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Plan To Kill Ranger Suit Confirmed

Church Council Spokesman Says Compromise Made

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The executive director of the Texas Council of Churches was quoted as saying Friday that the organization will withdraw from a federal court suit against four Texas Rangers "at the proper time."

The suit was filed in connection with the 1967 Rio Grande Valley farm labor strike.

Harold Kilpatrick also was quoted by the San Antonio Evening News as saying the interdenominational organization had reached a compromise with state officials in the matter.

The paper said he made his remarks after the Rev. Ed Krueger, former council representative in the Valley, told newsmen he had been discharged after declining to agree to a compromise in the case.

Bishop's Role

"Bishop Kenneth Pope has been working on a compromise and has been conferring with high state officials," the paper quoted Kilpatrick as saying. "We feel the purposes for which the suit was filed have been accomplished."

Pope is president of the Texas Council of Churches.

"At the proper time we expect to announce a compromise and withdraw," Kilpatrick was quoted as saying.

The Rev. Mr. Krueger said he and his wife, also a plaintiff in the suit had been "strongly recommended" to "sign a compromise agreement releasing the deputies and Rangers of all blame in regard to that suit," the newspaper said.

"Tina and I felt we didn't care to do this," the minister was quoted as saying.

The suit in question was brought by the council on behalf of the Rev. Mr. Krueger, who has charged he and his wife were roughed up and falsely arrested by Rangers during farm strike activities on May 24, 1967.

Another Suit

Awaiting decision by a three judge federal court is another Starr involving the Rangers and Starr county lawmen. It was brought by the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee.

"We really hadn't planned to announce any settlement of the suit until the union's suit is ad-

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judicated," Kilpatrick was quoted as saying.

He said the Rev. Mr. Krueger's action in declining to join the compromise has not been involved in his dismissal.

"It had been decided we were going to change our mode of operation and asked him to resign before we knew he wasn't going to sign the compromise," Kilpatrick told the paper.

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Krueger's Dismissal Stems From 'Hassle' With Law

PHARR — A United Church of Christ minister who was a central figure in the Starr County farm labor dispute two years ago said Wednesday his dismissal by the Texas Council of Churches was the result of his refusal to sign a "compromise agreement" exonerating the Texas Rangers, charged with brutality by a farm labor union.

The Rev. Ed Krueger, of Pharr, was fired as the TCC's Lower Rio Grande Valley staff member by Harold Kilpatrick, executive director of the interdenominational protestant group.

"I'm uncertain as to where the pressure came from," Krueger said, "but I have been requested to sign the agreement on several occasions. It's my personal feeling however, that to approach a thing like this with a feeling of forgiveness is one thing — but you can't change history and say nothing was done wrong."

Krueger said he had been asked to sign the compromise by Bishop W. Kenneth Pope, president of the Texas Council of Churches, by Kilpatrick, and that the action was "strongly suggested" by the Rev. Carl Berkley, chairman of the council's personnel committee.

Krueger collided with the Texas Rangers when he helped lead efforts of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee to recruit Mexican - American field hands for a strike during the melon harvest of 1966-1967, in Starr County.

The activity subsequently resulted in a civil suit filed in U.S. District Court against the rangers. The court action alleged the lawmen acted on behalf of growers in Starr County to try to break the strike, that their methods were brutal and discriminatory, and that the labor statutes they were enforcing were unconstitutional.

The case, which culminated in a bitter courtroom battle in June, still has not been decided, and Krueger said if a compromise agreement exhonerating the rangers is signed now, he fears it will affect the decision with regard to constitutionality of the labor statutes.

"I feel it would be very un-

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wise at this time," he said. "I'm afraid a compromise also might tend to block any similar action in the future, but I rather imagine some move will be made in this direction."

Kreuger also attributed his firing to "antipathy on the part of the established community to our work — the people's refusal to come to grips with some big problems, and a desire not to look at the facts."

Kreuger's ministry, as sponsored by the TCC, was devoted to the "barrios," slum areas in Valley cities, and organization of the "colonias" — remote villages where most of the Valley's Mexican - American migrant farm workers live.

He said his labor to establish programs of self - help within the colonias "challenged the paternalistic pattern — a pattern which really keeps people in servitude and a kind of slavery."

"There are a lot of people who believe in democracy in principle," he said, "but when it actually comes down to allowing people to participate in it, effectively and meaningfully, then there are a lot of people who don't believe in democracy after all."

Kreuger said he was given no formal reason for his discharge, which he said he did not believe reflected the feeling of the council church's board of directors, and he said he doubted if a successor would be named for his post until after the TCC had merged with the Texas Catholic Conference, to become the Texas Conference of Churches, later this year.

He said he was "not at all bitter" about his firing, that he intended to remain in the Valley, and to continue his work among the poor of the colonias.

"My wife and I have no definite plans right now," he said. "Perhaps we'll do farm work. We certainly want to continue our relationship with the people in the colonias and barrios."

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Shake-Up of VISTA Follows Firing of Valley Minister

Church Council Demands Supervisors' Dismissal

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By HOYT HAGER
Caller-Times Staff Writer

PHARR - Edgar Krueger, militant minister of the Texas Council of Churches' "migrant ministry" in the Rio Grande Valley has been fired.

The controversy swirling around the United Church of Christ minister, was in the front lines of the Starr County labor dispute a year ago and on hand at the Edcouch-Elsa school boycott, has been followed by shake-up of VISTA program in Hidalgo County.

The Texas Council of Churches, after firing Krueger, demanded that VISTA remove Joe Uriega, Merle Smith and David Lopez as local supervisors of VISTA.

The Rev. W. A. Triggs, pastor of the Pharr United Methodist Church, and a member of the executive board of the VISTA committee, said if Smith, Uriega and Lopez are not removed the Council of Churches will withdraw its sponsorship of VISTA immediately.

It is understood MAYO (Mexican-American Youth Organization) and several other similar organizations are standing by to take over the sponsorship. It also is reported a strong move is under way to have the new national administration kill VISTA entirely in the Valley.

Much of the turmoil in VISTA that developed over the past year when "Volunteers" and supervisors of VISTA took part in the Starr County dispute and Edcouch-Elsa troubles came to a head Monday night in Edinburg where the sponsoring TCC met to discuss the public image of the Council of Churches as a result of VISTA activities.

Dr. Jesse Reber, state representative of TCC, was on hand along with Triggs, Edinburg City Manager Gary Gwyn and Edinburg Justice of the Peace Jim Wilson — who are members of the executive board — and top VISTA agents.

Triggs said TCC demanded that it have complete control over program policy, procedures and a veto on VISTA employes in Hidalgo County. He said whether or not VISTA will agree to this at the state level and also will remove Lopez, Smith and Uriega will be decided in Austin. TCC agents have gone to Austin to confer on the matter.

VISTA has some 40 volunteers in Hidalgo County. Their stated mission is to aid, teach and work with the poor.

Cris Quintanilla, supervisor for VISTA in Hidalgo County resigned this week in the upheaval. Triggs said Quintanilla has accepted a job at a pay raise with the Model Cities Program at Edinburg, which is under supervision of Gwyn, the city manager.

In the meantime, Triggs is temporary head of the Pharr VISTA Office appointed by George Gault who is two-state supervisor of VISTA. Under Gault is Gonzalo Barrientes, state supervisor, and under him Uriegas, area supervisor.

Quintanilla has not been replaced but Leo Aguierre is temporary acting senior supervisor at Pharr, with Mrs. Jane Arredondo Rivera, assistant.

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6:17 PM 5-9-69 URGENT BRS

TO: DIRECTOR AND LOS ANGELES

FROM: SAN DIEGO (62-0)

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTE MARCH FROM INDIO, [redacted] CALIF., TO CALEXICO, CALIF., MAY TEN THROUGH MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT. [redacted] INFORMATION CONCERNING.

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THIS IS TO ADVISE THAT CAPTIONED MARCH, ORGANIZED BY CAESAR CHAVEZ, IS BEING MADE ON DATES INDICATED WITH OVERNIGHT STOPS AT MECCA, CORVINA CAMP, SALT CREEK CAMP, BOMBAY BEACH, NILAND, CALIPATRIA, BRAWLEY, AND EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA. IT IS REPORTED THAT MARCH WILL TERMINATE IN A RALLY AFTERNOON MAY EIGHTEEN NEXT AT CALEXICO. THERE IS UNCONFIRMED REPORT THAT SENATOR EDWARD KENNEDY WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE RALLY. ABOVE FURNISHED FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU AND BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS, IF ANY.

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6:05 PM EDT URGENT 5-10-69 WRJ

TO DIRECTOR

FROM PITTSBURGH 62-3292

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DEMONSTRATION MAY TEN, NINETEEN SIXTYNINE, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA., INFORMATION CONCERNING [redacted]

ON MAY TEN, INSTANT, A RELIABLE SOURCE ADVISED THAT ACTIVITIES WERE HELD AT PITTSBURGH, THIS DATE, IN CONNECTION WITH AN INTERNATIONAL DAY OF DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC), TO PROTEST THE PURCHASING OF CALIFORNIA GRAPES IN AN ATTEMPT TO GAIN UNION RECOGNITION FOR CALIFORNIA GRAPE PICKERS. THE SOURCE FURTHER ADVISED THAT AS PART OF THESE ACTIVITIES AT ABOUT ELEVEN THIRTY AM, A PARADE OF APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED INDIVIDUALS COMPOSED OF BOTH BLACKS AND WHITES AND TWENTYTHREE AUTOMOBILES PROCEEDED FROM THE CIVIC ARENA IN THE HILL DISTRICT OF PITTSBURGH TO THE MARKET PLACE IN DOWNTOWN END PAGE ONE.

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PITTSBURGH ARRIVING THERE AT TWELVE THIRTY PM. THE MARCH WAS LED BY ALBERT ROJAS, A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UFWOC, AND THE ORGANIZER OF THE GRAPE BOYCOTT AT PITTSBURGH. UPON ARRIVING AT THE MARKET PLACE, THE PARTICIPANTS HEARD SPEECHES BY THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WHO VOICED THEIR SUPPORT FOR UFWOC AND SPOKE AGAINST THE PURCHASING OF CALIFORNIA GRAPES: ALBERT ROJAS; TOM QUINN, REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNION OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS; LOUISE JONES, REPRESENTATIVE OF THE WELFARE RIGHTS ORGANIZATION; HAL ROBINSON, INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE FOR THE CITY COUNCIL OF PITTSBURGH; AND JAMES MC COY, HEAD OF THE UNITED NEGRO PROTEST COMMITTEE AT PITTSBURGH. SOURCE ADVISED THAT THE ENTIRE DEMONSTRATION WAS ORDERLY AND PEACEFUL AND NO ACTS OF CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE WERE COMMITTED BY THE PARTICIPANTS. THE CONTINGENT OF PROTESTERS DISBANDED AT ONE: ZERO FIVE AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE SPEECHES.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM PITTSBURGH (62-3292)

DEMONSTRATIONS JUNE SIX AND SEVEN, SIXTYNINE BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA., INFORMATION CONCERNING.

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ON JUNE FOUR, SIXTYNINE, [redacted] ADVISED INFORMATION HAD BEEN RECEIVED [redacted] INDICATING THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE PLANNED [redacted] A DEMONSTRATION AT KROGERS SUPERMARKET, BLOOMFIELD DISTRICT, [redacted] PITTSBURGH, FROM FOUR THIRTY TO SIX PM, JUNE SIX AND AT TEN AM, JUNE SEVEN, SIXTYNINE. USE OF ACTS OF CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE BEING CONSIDERED TO ENFORCE DEMANDS THAT KROGER COOPERATE IN GRAPE BOYCOTT. NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS TO TAKE PLACE IN DEMONSTRATIONS IS UNCERTAIN AT THIS TIME AND WHETHER OR NOT ACTS OR CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE TAKE PLACE WILL PROBABLY DEPEND ON WHETHER OR NOT SUFFICIENT DEMONSTRATORS ARE PRESENT.

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455PM URGENT 6/7/69 PJM

TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: PITTSBURGH (62-3292)

DEMONSTRATIONS, JUNE SIX AND SEVEN, SIXTYNINE, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA., INFORMATION CONCERNING.

REFERENCE IS MADE TO COMMUNICATION DATED JUNE FOR LAST AT PITTSBURGH ,PA., CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

ON JUNE SEVEN INSTANT, A SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT FROM FOUR THIRTY PM, TO SIX PM, JUNE SIX LAST, AND FROM ELEVEN AM, TO THREE PM, JUNE SEVEN INSTANT, A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY FIFTY INDIVIDUALS COMPOSED OF BOTH BLACKS AND WHITES PICKETED KROGER'S SUPER-MARKET IN THE BLOOMFIELD DISTRICT OF PITTSBURGH. THE DEMONSTRATIONS WERE SPONSORED BY THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC), WHICH IS ATTEMPTING TO GAIN UNION RECOGNITION FOR CALIFORNIA GRAPE PICKERS, AND WERE LED BY ALBERT ROJAS, A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UFWOC.

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DEMONSTRATORS CARRIED SIGNS WHICH REQUESTED THAT CUSTOMERS REFRAIN FROM BUYING CALIFORNIA GRAPES AND ALSO PASSED OUT LITERATURE TO CUSTOMERS ENTERING THE SUPERMARKET. THE SOURCE ADVISED THAT THE DEMONSTRATIONS BOTH DAYS WERE ORDERLY AND PEACEFUL AND NO ACTIONS OF CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE WERE COMMITTED BY THE PARTICIPANTS.

ABOVE INFORMATION FURNISHED TO ARMY INTELLIGENCE, SECRET SERVICE, OSI AND USA, ALL PITTSBURGH, PA., AND MISC, PHILADELPHIA, PA. PITTSBURGH POLICE DEPARTMENT COGNIZANT.

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5:56 PM EDT URGENT 6-12-69 WRJ

TO DIRECTOR

FROM PITTSBURGH 62-3292

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DEMONSTRATIONS, JUNE TWELVE, THIRTEEN, AND FOURTEEN, SIXTYNINE, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA., INFORMATION CONCERNING.

ON JUNE TWELVE, INSTANT, [redacted] ADVISED INFORMATION HAD BEEN RECEIVED INDICATING UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE PLANNED A MARCH COMMENCING AT SIX THIRTY PM, THIS DATE, FROM THE EIGHTEEN HUNDRED BLOCK OF BRIGHTON ROAD, NORTH SIDE, PITTSBURGH, TO THE NINTH STREET BRIDGE, NORTH SIDE. DEMONSTRATIONS ALSO TO BE HELD AT KROGER'S SUPERMARKET, BLOOMFIELD DISTRICT, PITTSBURGH, FOUR THIRTY TO SIX THIRTY PM JUNE THIRTEEN, AND AT ELEVEN AM, JUNE FOURTEEN, NEXT. MARCH AND DEMONSTATIONS BEING HELD TO GAIN SUPPORT FOR THE GRAPE BOYCOTT AT PITTSBURGH AND ULTIMATELY GAIN UNION RECOGNITION FOR CALIFORNIA GRAPE END PAGE ONE.

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PICKERS. NO INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED TO INDICATE ANY ACTS OF VIOLENCE OR CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE HAVE BEEN PLANNED.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: PITTSBURGH (62-3292)

DEMONSTRATIONS, JUNE TWELVE, THIRTEEN, AND FOURTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTY NINE, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA., INFORMATION CONCERNING.

REFERENCE IS MADE TO COMMUNICATION DATED JUNE TWELVE LAST, AT PITTSBURGH, PA., CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

ON JUNE FOURTEEN INSTANT, A SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED THAT ON JUNE TWELVE, LAST, COMMENCING AT SIX THIRTY P.M., A GROUP CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY THIRTY INDIVIDUALS PARTICIPATED IN A MARCH FROM THE EIGHTEEN HUNDRED BLOCK OF BRIGHTON ROAD, NORTH SIDE, PITTSBURGH, TO THE NINETH STREET BRIDGE, NORTH SIDE. MARCH SPONSORED BY THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGAINIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC), WHICH IS ATTEMPTING TO GAIN UNION RECOGNITION FOR CALIFORNIA GRAPE PICKERS, AND LED BY ALBERT ROJAS, A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UFWOC.

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SOURCE FURTHER ADVISED THAT FROM FOUR THIRTY P.M., TO SIX THIRTY P.M., JUNE THIRTEEN LAST, AND FROM ELEVEN A.M., TO THREE P.M., JUNE FOURTEEN INSTANT, A GROUP OF APPROXIMATELY THIRTY FIVE INDIVIDUALS PICKETED TWO KROGER SUPERMARKETS IN THE PITTSBURGH AREA. DEMONSTRATORS CARRIED SIGNS WHICH REQUESTED THAT CUSTOMERS REFRAIN FROM BUYING CALIFORNIA GRAPES AND ALSO PASSED OUT LITERATURE TO CUSTOMERS ENTERING THE SUPERMARKET.

SOURCE ADVISED MARCH AND DEMONSTRATIONS WERE ORDERLY AND PEACEFUL AND NO ACTS OF CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE WERE COMMITTED BY THE PARTICIPANTS.

ABOVE INFORMATION FURNISHED TO ARMY INTELLIGENCE, SECRET SERVICE, OSI AND USA, ALL PITTSBURGH, AND NISO, PHILADELPHIA, PA. PITTSBURGH POLICE DEPARTMENT COGNIZANT.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM PITTSBURGH (62-3292)

DEMONSTRATIONS, JUNE TWENTY AND TWENTYONE, NINETEEN SIXTYNINE, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA., INFORMATION CONCERNING.

ON JUNE TWENTY, INSTANT, A SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT FROM SIX PM TO NINE PM, JUNE TWENTY, AND FROM TEN AM TO THREE PM, JUNE TWENTYONE, THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC), AT PITTSBURGH, PLANNED TO PICKET FIVE KROGER SUPERMARKETS IN THE PITTSBURGH AREA. DEMONSTRATIONS BEING HELD TO INDUCE KROGER TO COOPERATE IN GRAPE BOYCOTT IN CONNECTION WITH ATTEMPTS BEING MADE BY THE UFWOC TO GAIN UNION RECOGNITION FOR CALIFORNIA GRAPE PICKERS.

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IT APPEARS THIS MATTER IS BASICALLY A UNION-LABOR MATTER. ABOVE-MENTIONED SOURCE HAS ADVISED THESE DEMONSTRATIONS WILL CONTINUE EACH WEEKEND UNTIL KROGER STOPS SELLING GRAPES AND UNION RECOGNITION FOR CALIFORNIA GRAPE PICKERS IS ACHIEVED.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, PITTSBURGH (62-3292) - P -

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATIONS, 6/20-21/69, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA. INFORMATION CONCERNING OO: PITTSBURGH

Re Pittsburgh airtel to the Bureau dated 6/20/69 captioned as above.

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an LHM regarding above captioned demonstrations.

The source mentioned in the LHM is [redacted] The original location is [redacted]

LHM is classified "confidential" inasmuch as data reported from [redacted] could reasonably result in identification of confidential informant of continuing value and compromise the future effectiveness thereof.

Copy of LHM disseminated locally for USA, Secret Service, OSI and G-2, Pittsburgh, Pa., and one copy for NISO, Philadelphia, Pa.

Pittsburgh will continue to follow the activities of the UFWOC.

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

June 23, 1969

DEMONSTRATIONS, JUNE 20-21, 1969, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA.

On June 20, 1969, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that from 6:00 p.m., to 9:00 p.m., June 20, 1969, and from 10:00 a.m., to 3:00 p.m., June 21, 1969, the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) at Pittsburgh, planned to picket five Kroger Supermarkets in the Pittsburgh area. This source further advised that the demonstrations were being held to induce the Kroger Company to cooperate in the grape boycott at Pittsburgh, in connection with attempts being made by the UFWOC to gain union recognition for grape pickers. The source said that no acts of violence or civil disobedience had been planned.

On June 21, 1969, the same source advised that from 6:00 p.m., to 9:00 p.m., June 20, 1969, and from 10:00 a.m., to 3:00 p.m., June 21, 1969, the above mentioned picket demonstrations were held at five Kroger Supermarkets in the Pittsburgh area. According to the source, demonstrators carried signs which requested that customers refrain from buying California grapes and also passed out literature to customers.

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DEMONSTRATIONS, JUNE 20-21, 1969,
BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING
COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA.

The source advised that Albert Rojas, a representative of the UFWOC and the organizer of the grape boycott at Pittsburgh, Pa., was arrested on June 20, 1969, by the Pittsburgh Police Department on charges of disorderly conduct and violation of a city ordinance governing the use of loud speakers. Elena Rojas, wife of Albert Rojas, was also arrested on the same charges.

The source said that Albert Rojas was found guilty of above charges on June 21, 1969, fined $25, and released. The charges against Elena Rojas were dismissed.

The source advised that among those participating in the demonstrations were [redacted] and his wife [redacted]

[redacted]

The PFC is characterized in the Appendix attached hereto.

DEMONSTRATIONS, JUNE 20-21, 1969,
BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING
COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA.

The source advised that with the exception of the arrests of Albert and Elena Rojas, there were no further incidents connected with the demonstrations.

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APPENDIX
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PEACE AND FREEDOM CENTER (PFC)

On May 1 and 10, 1968, a source advised that the PFC was located at 5899 Ellsworth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15232. Prior to November, 1967, the PFC was known as the Pittsburgh Committee to End the War in Vietnam which had been activated in the Summer, 1965.

The PFC functions as a service organization and its aim is to coordinate Pittsburgh peace activities directed toward ending the war in Vietnam or other disturbances elsewhere. Activities also include those having racial overtures, the PFC advocating racial equality.

One member of the District Committee, Communist Party of Western Pennsylvania (CPWP) was on the Steering Committee of the PFC as of May 10, 1968. In addition, the CPWP exerts influence upon the activities of the PFC through the association of four other members of the CPWP, with Walter Tillow, Field Secretary, who is responsible for the physical operation of the PFC. Tillow, who was a speaker at a CPWP meeting in Pittsburgh on May 3, 1968, stated that a Marxist daily newspaper was vital to the needs of the public and agreed with communist policies on peace activities.

APPENDIX

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Date: 7/7/69

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, PITTSBURGH (62-3292) (P)

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATIONS,
BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING
COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA.
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(OO: PITTSBURGH)

[redacted]

Re Pittsburgh airtel to the Bureau dated 6/23/69, captioned, "DEMONSTRATIONS, 6/20-21/69, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA., INFORMATION CONCERNING, (OO: PITTSBURGH)."

Enclosed for the Bureau are 10 copies of an LHM regarding above-captioned demonstrations.

The source mentioned in the LHM is [redacted] original location herein.

LHM is classified "Confidential" inasmuch as data reported from [redacted] could reasonably result in identification of confidential informant of continuing value and compromise the future effectiveness thereof.

Copy of LHM disseminated locally for USA, Secret Service, OSI and G-2, Pittsburgh, Pa., and one copy for NISO, Philadelphia, Pa.

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4 - Pittsburgh
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Pittsburgh will continue to follow the activities of the UFWOC.

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

July 7, 1969

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DEMONSTRATIONS,
BY UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,
PITTSBURGH, PA.

On July 7, 1969, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that from 6:00 PM, to 9:00 PM, July 3, 1969, and from 11:00 AM, to 6:00 PM, July 5, 1969, approximately 15 individuals representing the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC) at Pittsburgh, picketed Kroger's Supermarket in the Bloomfield District of Pittsburgh.

The source further advised that the demonstrations were held to induce the Kroger Company to cooperate in the grape picket at Pittsburgh in connection with attempts being made by the UFWOC to gain union recognition for California grape pickers.

According to the source, demonstrators carried signs which requested that customers refrain from buying California grapes and also passed out literature to customers.

The source advised that Albert Rojas, a representative of the UFWOC and organizer of the grape boycott at Pittsburgh led the demonstrations.

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DEMONSTRATIONS,
BY UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,
PITTSBURGH, PA.

The source said that the demonstrations, both days, were entirely orderly and peaceful, and no acts of civil disobedience were committed.

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Date: 6-23-69

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL _____
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[redacted]

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS (100-21447) (P)

SUBJECT: GRAPE BOYCOTT DEMONSTRATION
KIRKWOOD, MO.
6/14/69
IS - MISC

ReSLtel to Bureau, 6/15/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies and for Sacramento and Portland 2 copies of an LHM re captioned matter which are suitable for dissemination.

Copies of this LHM are being submitted to MI and USA.

This LHM is being classified CONFIDENTIAL to protect sources of a continuing nature.

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The sources are as follows.

[redacted]

Source 2: [redacted]

[redacted]

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2 - Bureau (Encl. 11) (RM) (1 - [redacted]
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THE SACRAMENTO DIVISION:

AT DELANO, CALIF.:

Conduct, indices, credit and criminal investigation re [redacted] and [redacted]

THE PORTLAND DIVISION:

AT GRANTS PASS, OREGON:

Conduct indices, credit and criminal investigation re [redacted] and [redacted].

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

St. Louis, Missouri, 63177

June 23, 1969

TITLE: GRAPE BOYCOTT DEMONSTRATION
KIRKWOOD, MISSOURI
JUNE 14, 1969

REFERENCE: St. Louis letterhead memorandum, captioned as above, dated June 23, 1969

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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FBI

Date: 8/12/69

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, SACRAMENTO (100-197)

[redacted]

SUBJECT: PLANNED DEMONSTRATION BY SYMPATHIZERS OF UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE AT MATHER AIR FORCE BASE, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, AUGUST 14, 1969
MATTER CONCERNING (INTERNAL SECURITY)

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of an LHM captioned as above, which is self-explanatory. A copy has been designated for United States Secret Service, which has been advised of the protest, and another copy has been designated for the United States Attorney, Sacramento.

One copy has been designated for San Francisco because [redacted] apparently is a student at the University of California, Berkeley, California.

Sacramento is taking no further action pertaining to this matter.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Sacramento, California

August 12, 1969

PLANNED DEMONSTRATION BY
SYMPATHIZERS OF UNITED FARM
WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
AT MATHER AIR FORCE BASE,
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA,
AUGUST 14, 1969

On August 11, 1969, Special Agent [redacted] Detachment Commander, Office of Special Investigations (OSI), Mather Air Force Base, advised that he has received information that a group of pickets anticipate holding an orderly nonviolent protest at the Gate to Mather Air Force Base on August 14, 1969.

The leader of this demonstration is one [redacted] who is allegedly a student at the University of California at Berkeley. He refers to himself as the part time boycott co-ordinator for the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee in Sacramento. He allegedly received $5 a week for these duties.

The demonstration is to protest the Department of Defense buying table grapes and shipping them to Vietnam. Mather Air Force Base was chosen for this protest due to the fact that "it was handy". [redacted] is attempting to attract television and other press coverage for the demonstration.

The demonstration is to be off the Base, outside the Gate and off the roadway so that there will be no traffic disruption and no possibility of any violation of statutes.

The Sacramento Office of the United States Secret Service was advised of the above.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SAN DIEGO (105-NEW) (P)

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United Farm Workers
Organizing Committee

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It is noted that on 7/18/69, a branch office of the UFWOC was publicly opened in Office 8 of the El Rey Hotel in Calexico, California.

[redacted]

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SACRAMENTO OFFICE

It is requested that pertinent background information regarding the UFWOC, CESAR CHAVEZ and MANUEL CHAVEZ, plus a photograph of MANUEL CHAVEZ, be expeditiously furnished for the use of San Diego.

OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE

Will obtain registration data for Oklahoma Plate XU 2099, and will search indices for information regarding owner.

San Diego - will resubmit later

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 8/29/69

[redacted]

FROM : SAC, PITTSBURGH (62-3292)(C)

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATIONS BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA. INFORMATION CONCERNING (OO: PITTSBURGH)

Re Pittsburgh airtel to the Bureau dated 7/7/69, captioned as above.

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM regarding above-captioned demonstrations.

The source mentioned in the LHM is [redacted] original location herein.

LHM is classified "Confidential" inasmuch as data reported from [redacted] could reasonably result in identification of confidential informant of continuing value and compromise future effectiveness thereof.

Copy of LHM disseminated locally for USA, Secret Service, OSI and G-2, Pittsburgh, Pa., and one copy for NISO, Philadelphia, Pa.

To date, demonstrations have been on a regular basis and no acts of violence have been committed by the participants. Sources have been alerted and the Pittsburgh Police Department is aware of the planned activities of the UFWOC.

UACB, this matter is being closed until such time as incidents occur in connection with the grape boycott at Pittsburgh which would warrant re-opening for further investigation.

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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August 29, 1969

DEMONSTRATIONS BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PITTSBURGH, PA.

On August 28, 1969, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that during a recent conversation with Albert Rojas, a representative of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (UFWOC), and organizer of the grape boycott at Pittsburgh, it was learned that the UFWOC continued to demonstrate on Friday afternoon, from 4:30 pm to 9:00 pm, and on Saturdays from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, at the Kroger Supermarket in the Bloomfield District of Pittsburgh.

The source further advised that according to Rojas, generally, between 8 to 12 people participate in these demonstrations, carrying signs, distributing literature and marching peacefully in front of the store.

The source said that in addition, several of the demonstrators have entered various Kroger Supermarkets in the Pittsburgh area, at irregular times, filled shopping carts, and then left them in the aisles with grape boycott literature.

The source advised that the UFWOC contemplates continuing their peaceful demonstrations at the Bloomfield Kroger Supermarket at the aforementioned times on Fridays and Saturdays until such time as the California grape pickers gain union recognition.

On August 28, 1969, [redacted] advised that past demonstrations held by the UFWOC have been orderly and peaceful. [redacted] said that no acts of violence have been committed by any individuals in connection with the grape boycott at Pittsburgh.

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Mr. [illegible]
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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762) PLAINTEXT

FROM CHICAGO (100-42662) 3P

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA) CARAVAN DEMONSTRATION AT JEWEL FOOD COMPANY, MELROSE PARK, ILLINOIS. SEPTEMBER EIGHT INSTANT. RM. OO: LOS ANGELES.

[redacted] SOURCE ADVISED INSTANT MEMBERS UNITED FARM WORKERS, GROUP PROTESTING SALE OF CALIFORNIA GRAPES IN CG AREA, PLANNING TWO HUNDRED CAR MOTORCADE TO GENERAL OFFICES JEWEL FOOD COMPANY, ONE NINE FIVE FIVE WEST NORTH AVE., MELROSE PARK, ILL., AND WINSTON PARK SHOPPING CENTER, MELROSE PARK.

[redacted] ADVISED INSTANT MOTORCADE FORMED ABOUT TEN AM INSTANT AT NINETEENTH STREET AND ASHLAND AVE, CG. MOTORCADE THIRTY CARS. MOTORCADE TRAVELED TO GENERAL OFFICES JEWEL FOOD COMPANY, MELROSE PARK.

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RELIABLE SOURCE ADVISED INSTANT AL RABY, CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER, SUPPORTING COALITION FOR UNITED COMMUNITY ACTION, GROUP PROTESTING RACIAL DISCRIMINATION IN CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY CG AREA, SPOKE TO DEMONSTRATORS OUTSIDE OFFICE JEWEL FOOD CO. DEMONSTRATORS NUMBERED ABOUT EIGHTY PEOPLE. RABY ADVISED DEMONSTRATORS SHOULD UNDERTAKE MORE AGGRESSIVE ACTION REGARDING RECENT RESUMPTION OF SALE OF CALIFORNIA GRAPES IN STORES OPERATED BY JEWEL.

DEMONSTRATORS PROCEEDED TO JEWEL FOOD STORE, WINSTON PARK SHOPPING CENTER WHERE THEY PICKETED APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR.

SOURCE ADVISED RABY SPOKE TO REPRESENTATIVE JEWEL FOOD CO. INQUIRING AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THAT ORGANIZATION WOULD CONTINUE TO SELL GRAPES IN THEIR STORES. HE WAS INFORMED THAT THE CUSTOMERS OF JEWEL DETERMINE PRODUCTS COMPANY WILL SELL.

END PAGE TWO

DEMONSTRATION ENDED TWO THIRTY FIVE PM INSTANT.

NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED. NO ARRESTS MADE.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

MILITARY ADVISED. USA, SECRET SERVICE BEING ADVISED BY FOLLOWING LHM. SOURCE [redacted]

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SPOT REPORT

BALTO SR NO. 243

1. III

2. 115-9251-013

3. PLANNED RALLY AND MARCH BY UNITED FARM WORKERS AND UNIDENTIFIED MEXICAN-AMERICAN GROUPS, 16-20 SEP 69, PROSSER, WASHINGTON (F)

4. NONE

5. SUMMARY: ON 7 SEPTEMBER 1969, UNITED FARM WORKERS CO-ORDINATOR ANNOUNCED THAT ON 16 SEPTEMBER 1969, THE UNITED FARM WORKERS AND COALITION OF UNIDENTIFIED MEXICAN-AMERICAN GROUPS WILL SPONSOR A RALLY IN PROSSER, WASHINGTON. THE PURPOSE OF THE RALLY IS TO SEEK IMPROVEMENTS IN HOUSING AND EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES FOR MEXICAN-AMERICANS IN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON'S YAKIMA VALLEY. FROM 17 SEPTEMBER TO 20 SEPTEMBER 1969, THE SAME GROUPS WILL CONDUCT A 50 MILE MARCH FROM PROSSER TO YAKIMA, WASHINGTON. THE MARCH WILL CONSIST OF AT LEAST 100 PEOPLE AND PASS THROUGH EIGHT TOWNS.

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8. APPROPRIATE INQUIRIES ARE BEING MADE TO SUBSTANTIATE THE ABOVE

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Date: 9/9/69

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Via AIRTEL _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662) (C)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA);
CARAVAN DEMONSTRATION AT JEWEL FOOD
COMPANY, MELROSE PARK, ILLINOIS
SEPTEMBER 8, 1969
RM
OO:LOS ANGELES

Re Chicago teletype to Bureau dated 9/8/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. One copy of the LHM is being furnished Los Angeles for information purposes. One copy each of the LHM is being furnished the USA, Chicago, United States Secret Service, Chicago, and Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

[redacted] The second source is [redacted]

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1 - Los Angeles (Encl. 1) (INFO) (RM)
3 - Chicago
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. CG 100-42662

Chicago, Illinois
September 9, 1969

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA); CARAVAN DEMONSTRATION AT JEWEL FOOD COMPANY, MELROSE PARK, ILLINOIS, SEPTEMBER 8, 1969

On September 8, 1969, a confidential source [redacted] advised that on that date the United Farm Workers, (a group protesting the sale of California grapes in Chicago stores and in other stores throughout the country), will form a 200 car motorcade in front of 1300 South Wabash Avenue and proceed to the Jewel Food Company, General Offices, 1955 West North Avenue, Melrose Park, Illinois. From there the group was to proceed to the Winston Park Shopping Center, Melrose Park, Illinois, and demonstrate at a Jewel store located in the shopping center.

On September 8, 1969, [redacted] advised that the formation of the group was not taking place at the location originally planned, but was forming up at 19th and South Ashland, Chicago, Illinois.

On September 8, 1969 [redacted], advised that the motorcade had formed up at about 10:00 a.m. on that date, at 19th and Ashland, and consisted of approximately 30 cars and 75 to 80 people. [redacted] stated that Al Raby was seen at this location changing a flat tire.

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA); CARAVAN DEMONSTRATION AT JEWEL FOOD COMPANY, MELROSE PARK, ILLINOIS, SEPTEMBER 8, 1969

On September 8, 1969, a second source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that Al Raby, Civil Rights leader, and supporter of the Co - alition For United Community Action, a group that pro - tests racial discrimination in the Chicago industry in the Chicago area, had spoken to demonstrators outside the offices of the Jewel Food Company, Melrose Park, Illinois. Demonstrators numbered about 80 people, and about 30 to 35 cars. Raby advised the demonstrators that they should undertake more aggressive action regarding the recent resumption by Jewel of the sale of California table grapes in stores owned and operated by Jewel.

The demonstrators proceeded on foot to the Jewel Food Store, Winston Park Shopping Center, Melrose Park, where they picketed for approximately one hour.

The second source also advised that Raby had spoken to a representative of Jewel Food Company and inquired as to whether or not Jewel would continue to sell grapes in their stores. Raby was told that the customers of Jewel determine what products that company will sell.

The demonstration ended at about 2:35 p.m. with no incidents occurring and no arrests being made.

One copy each of this communication is being furnished to:

United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois
United States Secret Service, Chicago, Illinois
Region I, 113th Military Intelligence Group, Evanston, Illinois.

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Date: 9/26/69

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Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-74196)(P)

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE,
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR-CONGRESS OF
INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS
INFORMATION CONCERNING - INTERNAL SECURITY

REC-58

Re Washington Field teletype to Bureau, 9/25/69 [redacted]

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are seven copies of a letterhead memoranda (LHM) concerning information about CESAR CHAVEZ, head of the United Farm Workers, and his proposed trip of the United States. [redacted]

Copies of this LHM are being sent to Washington Field and Sacramento, which is office of origin for the United Farm Workers. [redacted]

The sources utilized in the LHM are [redacted] and [redacted].

Instant LHM is classified Confidential because the data reported from the sources could reasonably result in the identification of confidential informants of continuing value and compromise effectiveness thereof.

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1 - Los Angeles

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Los Angeles, California
September 26, 1969

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CESAR CHAVEZ

The "Los Angeles Times"-edition of September 26, 1969, Part II, page 2 contains the following article titled, "Cesar Chavez Begins 7-Week Tour of U.S.":

Cesar Chavez Begins 7-Week Tour of U.S.

BY HARRY BERNSTEIN
Times Labor Writer

Cesar Chavez embarked Thursday on a seven-week nationwide tour with an optimistic word on the widespread support his grape boycott is receiving.

As an example, he noted that in Portland Wednesday a picket line brought a halt to loading of ships docked there until one shipper agreed to withdraw a load of table grapes waiting to be put aboard one ship.

Chavez, head of the AFL-CIO United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, said in an interview here that he is now working full time after spending most of the past year in bed because of back problems.

He said he will testify in Washington, D.C., next week before a Senate committee that the union has "clear evidence that growers are poisoning workers and contaminating table grapes by the increasing use of pesticides."

(Growers deny that pesticides are endangering farm workers and cite government studies to show that grapes are not harmful because of the use of pesticides.

(The growers contend the union has raised the issue only as a means of pressuring them for union recognition.)

Then Chavez will visit 40 cities where teams of union workers are pressing the grape boycott "to consider ways of pushing the boycott further than we have yet done."

Chavez said he also will meet with Congress to press again for legislation to give farm workers the same farm labor law coverage which most other nonfarm workers have under the National Labor Relations Act.

Chavez showed little optimism for early resumption of talks with a group of 12 grape growers who did agree to try to work out a settlement with the union.

Chavez asked chief federal mediator J. Curtis Counts last week to try to arrange a resumption of the negotiations, and the growers will meet Oct. 9 to decide whether they want further talks with the union.

Most grapegrowers opposed even the earlier sessions agreed to by the 12 growers, calling the agreement to meet with the union a "sellout" to Chavez.

The growers say the union does not represent their workers.

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CESAR CHAVEZ

Sources one and two advised on September 25 and September 26, 1969 that they know of no plans on the part of individuals in the Los Angeles, California area to participate in the activities of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee to be held in Washington, D.C., September 28, 1969 to October 1, 1969.

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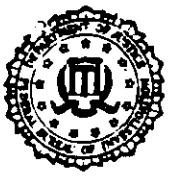

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California
September 26, 1969

Title UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR-CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS

Character INFORMATION CONCERNING - INTERNAL SECURITY

Reference Memorandum dated as above and captioned "CESAR CHAVEZ" at Los Angeles.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662)(C)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA)
PICKET DEMONSTRATION AT JEWEL FOOD
COMPANY STORES, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
OCTOBER 18, 1969
RM
00: SACRAMENTO

Re Chicago airtel and LHM dated 9/9/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. One copy of the LHM is being furnished Sacramento for information purposes. Copies of this memo also being furnished U.S. Secret Service, USA, Chicago, and Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

Chicago continues to follow the activities of the NFWA in the Chicago area.

Indices Chicago Office were negative in respect to WILLIAM MASTERSON, WILLIAM CHANDLER, and LARRY GIBBS.

2- Bureau (Encls. 11)(RM)
1- Sacramento (Encl. 1)(INFO)(RM)
2- Chicago
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AGENCY: CRD, ~~[illegible]~~ ITU. ~~[illegible]~~
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Chicago, Illinois
October 20, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. CG 100-42662

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
(NFWA)
PICKET DEMONSTRATION AT JEWEL
FOOD STORES
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
OCTOBER 18, 1969

On October 20, 1969, [redacted] advised that on October 18, 1969, a demonstration in support of the NFWA took place in Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] advised that about 150 to 175 persons who were protesting the sale of California grapes by the Jewel Food Company appeared at two Jewel store locations beginning at approximately noon time October 20, 1969.

The above-mentioned group appeared at a Jewel store located at 9410 South Ashland where they pickted in a peaceful manner for about 45 minutes, against the Jewel Company's selling of grapes. They then walked to a second Jewel store at 95th and Western which is actually in the Chicago suburban community of Evergreen Park, where they also demonstrated in an orderly fashion. After a period of 30 minutes, they proceeded back to the Jewel Store at 9410 South Ashland. While at this store, a small group of the demonstrators attempted to enter the premises. They were informed that the store was private property and they were asked to leave. The group refused to leave the premises and 3 of the leaders were placed under arrest by the Chicago Police Department.

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION
PICKET DEMONSTRATION AT JEWEL
FOOD STORES
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
OCTOBER 18, 1969

The arrestees were identified as: William Masterson, 1300 South Wabash, Chicago, age 20, white male; William Chandler, 1030 South May, Chicago age 28, white male; and Larry Gibbs, 921 West Cornelia, Chicago age 21, white male. There were no incidents involved in the arrests and no further disturbances reported.

A copy of the above memorandum is being furnished to United States Secret Service; United States Attorney, Chicago; and Region I, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

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Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Walters
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Bishop
Mr. Casper
Mr. Callahan
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Mr. Rosen
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Miss Gandy

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM ATLANTA (100-NEW) (P)

[redacted]

DEMONSTRATION AT FORT MC PHERSON, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, [redacted] OCTOBER TWENTYFIVE SIXTYNINE, AT ELEVEN THIRTY A.M. SPONSORED BY THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PROTESTING INCREASED PURCHASE OF GRAPES BY DEFENSE DEPARTMENT. IS - (INFORMATION CONCERNING).

THE OCTOBER TWENTYSEVEN SIXTYNINE ISSUE OF "THE GREAT SPECKLED BIRD" NEWSPAPER CARRIED AN ARTICLE CAPTIONED "FT. MAC GRAPE JAM," WHICH ANNOUNCED A DEMONSTRATION AT MAIN GATE ON SIDEWALK OUTSIDE LEE STREET ENTRANCE TO FORT MC PHERSON AT ELEVEN THIRTY A.M. ON OCTOBER TWENTYFIVE SIXTYNINE TO PROTEST PENTAGON'S INCREASED GRAPE SHIPMENTS TO AMERICAN SOLDIERS IN VIETNAM.

ONE ELEVENTH MIG, FORT MC PHERSON, GEORGIA; ATLANTA POLICE DEPARTMENT; AND U. S. SECRET SERVICE, ATLANTA, ADVISED.

ATLANTA WILL FOLLOW AND LHM WILL BE SUBMITTED.

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FBI PITTSBGH

1:03AM URGENT 10/25/69 PVC

TO DIRECTOR

FROM PITTSBURGH (62-3292)

DEMONSTRATION BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC), PITTSBURGH, PA., OCTOBER TWENTYFOUR, SIXTYNINE.

[redacted]

[redacted] TODAY ADVISED THAT AT ABOUT SEVEN AM ON OCTOBER TWENTYFOUR SIXTYNINE, APPROXIMATELY FIFTY PICKETS REPRESENTING THE UFWOC STAGED A DEMONSTRATION IN THE STRIP DISTRICT OF PITTSBURGH, AN AREA OF WHOLESALE PRODUCE WAREHOUSES. THE PICKETS, WHO CARRIED SIGNS ADVOCATING A BOYCOTT ON CALIFORNIA GRAPES PREVENTED THE FREE MOVEMENT OF PRODUCE TRUCKS AND IGNORED POLICE ORDERS TO LET TRAFFIC PASS.

POLICE BROKE UP THE DEMONSTRATION AND ARRESTED ELEVEN PERSONS FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT AND OBSTRUCTING TRAFFIC. AMONG THE ARRESTEES WERE ALBER ROJAS, LOCAL HEAD OF THE UFWOC, AND PATRICK COYNE, A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STEEL WORKERS. 100-444762-135X1

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[redacted] SAID THE ARRESTEES WERE RELEASED AFTER BEING FINED TEN DOLLARS PLUS ELEVEN DOLLARS IN COSTS.

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USA, SECRET SERVICE, ARMY INTELLIGENCE, AND OSI, ALL PITTSBURGH PA., AND NISO, PHILADELPHIA, PA., ARE BEING FURNISHED THE ABOVE INFORMATION.

ADMINISTRATIVE: NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

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FBI ATLANTA

5:11 PM URGENT 10/25/69 VSC

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
OCT 25 1969

TELETYPE

TO DIRECTOR

FROM ATLANTA 100-7919

DEMONSTRATION AT FORT MC PHERSON, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, OCT. TWENTYFIVE, 'SIXTYNINE, AT ELEVEN THIRTY AM, SPONSORED BY THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PROTESTING INCREASED PURCHASE OF GRAPES BY DEFENSE DEPARTMENT. IS - (INFORMATION CONCERNING).

AT ELEVEN FORTYFIVE AM, OCT. TWENTYFIVE, 7 'SIXTYNINE, APPROXIMATELY NINE DEMONSTRATORS BEGAN FORMING OUTSIDE MAIN ENTRANCE FORT MC PHERSON, GEORGIA, ON LEE STREET SIDE. THE DEMONSTRATORS GREW IN NUMBER TO TWENTYFIVE CARRYING PLACARDS PROTESTING PURCHASE OF GRAPES BY DEFENSE DEPARTMENT. FIVE DEMONSTRATORS WERE IDENTIFIED AS BEING ASSOCIATED WITH STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY (SDS). AT ONE FORTYFIVE PM THE DEMONSTRATORS DISPERSED. NO INCIDENTS OR ARRESTS MADE ASSOCIATED WITH DEMONSTRATION.

DEMONSTRATION OBSERVED BY 111TH MIG, FT. MC PHERSON, GEORGIA, AND ATLANTA POLICE DEPARTMENT.

U. S. SECRET SERVICE, ATLANTA, ADVISED.

ADMINISTRATIVE: RE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO BUREAU, OCT. TWENTYTHIRD, 'SIXTYNINE. LHM FOLLOWS. P

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To White House, AG, Secret Service, CIA, State, ACSI, OSI, DIA, Vice President by tel. CC's of White House tel to DAG; AAG's: IS, CRD, CRIM, IDIU; NIS 10-27-69

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
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GSA FPMR (41 CFR) 101-11.6

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 11/6/69

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-74196) (C)

[redacted]

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR-CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS INFORMATION CONCERNING - INTERNAL SECURITY

Re Los Angeles airtel dated 9/26/69.

[redacted] advised on 10/22/69, and [redacted] advised on 10/31/69, that they knew of no participation by individuals in the Los Angeles, California, area in the activities of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee held between 9/28/69 and 10/1/69, at Washington, D. C.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-444762) AND LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES VIA DIRECTOR PLAINTEXT

FROM CHICAGO (100-42662) 1P

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSN. (NFWA) PROPOSED BOYCOTT RALLY AT COLISEUM, CG, ILL., NOVEMBER TWELVE, SIXTY NINE. RM. OO: LA.

[redacted]

INSTANT DATE CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, RELIABLE, ADVISED A PROPOSED GRAPE BOYCOTT RALLY SPONSORED BY UNITED FARM WORKERS (UFW) IS PLANNED NOVEMBER TWELVE NEXT AT COLISEUM, CG, WITH PLANNED SPEAKERS TO BE CESAR CHAVEZ, HEAD, UFW, REV. JESSE JACKSON, NATIONAL DIRECTOR OPERATION BREADBASKET, ECONOMIC ARM SCLC, AND ADLAI E. STEVENSON, III, SON OF LATE UN AMBASSADOR ADLAI E. STEVENSON.

USA, SECRET SERVICE, MILITARY AND CGPD ADVISED.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

SOURCE IS [redacted] CG FOLLOWING CLOSELY AND WILL REPORT ALL DEVELOPMENTS.

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DEMONSTRATION AT FORT MC PHERSON, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, 10/25/69, AT 11:30 A.M. SPONSORED BY THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PROTESTING INCREASED PURCHASE OF GRAPES BY DEFENSE DEPARTMENT IS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau dated 10/23/69, and Atlanta teletype to Bureau dated 10/25/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and ten copies of an LHM prepared at Atlanta on 11/5/69, captioned as above, and suitable for dissemination.

Copies of the enclosed LHM are being furnished to 111th MIG, Ft. McPherson, Georgia; NIS, Charleston, S. C.; OSI, Robins Air Force Base, Georgia; and U. S. Secret Service, Atlanta, Georgia, for their information.

Special Agents who made observations described in the enclosed LHM are identified as [redacted] and [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Atlanta, Georgia
November 5, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

DEMONSTRATION AT FORT MC PHERSON, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, OCTOBER 25, 1969, AT 11:30 A.M., SPONSORED BY THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PROTESTING INCREASED PURCHASE OF GRAPES BY DEFENSE DEPARTMENT

An article appearing in the October 27, 1969, issue of "The Great Speckled Bird", an Atlanta weekly "New Left newspaper, distributed October 24, 1969, indicated that the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee planned to set up a picket line outside the Lee Street entrance of Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Georgia, at 11:30 a.m. on October 25, 1969, to protest the "stepped-up government buying of scab grapes."

The article further stated that, as the grape boycott spread, grape growers lost markets and the grapes piled up until the Pentagon came to the aid of "agribusiness" with a 350 per cent increase of grape shipments to American soldiers in Vietnam. The article also stated that DARY OLSON, United Farm Workers (UFW) representative in Atlanta, had called for a massive turnout at the October 25, 1969, demonstration from sympathetic groups and individuals.

At approximately 11:45 a.m. on October 25, 1969, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, officers of the Atlanta Police Department, and Special Agents of the 111th Military Intelligence Group, Fort McPherson, Georgia, observed approximately nine demonstrators gather in front of the main gate at the Lee Street entrance to Fort McPherson. The demonstrators proceeded to march back and forth in front of the gate passing out leaflets to motorists entering the leaving the Fort.

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DEMONSTRATION AT FORT MC PHERSON,
ATLANTA, GEORGIA, OCTOBER 25, 1969,
AT 11:30 A.M., SPONSORED BY THE
UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING
COMMITTEE, PROTESTING INCREASED PURCHASE OF
GRAPES BY DEFENSE DEPARTMENT

The leaflets contained captions as follows:

"The Grapes of War"

"Don't Help the Pentagon Bust the Grape Strike!"

"March on Washington, November 15"

"Washington, D. C. Nov. 15 - - U. S. Out of Vietnam Now!"

In addition to the above leaflets, there was a petition passed out with the other leaflets, with space for ten names, which stated, "We the Undersigned Members of the United States Armed Forces, Pledge Not to Eat Table Grapes until the Grape Strike and Boycott are over."

At the high point of the demonstration, there were 25 demonstrators observed participating and carrying placards with wording as follows:

"Boycott Grapes"
"Bring the Grapes Home"
"Grapes are a No No"
"Department of Defense Buys Scab Grapes"
"Equality and Justice for Farmworkers"
"Vietnam 3rd largest Importer of Grapes"
"Stop the Grape of War"
"Why 350% increase in Vietnam Grapes?"
"The DOD is a strikebreaker"
"The Department of Defense is a strikebreaker"
"Don't Buy Grapes picked by Scab Labor"
"7,500,000 lbs. of Grapes Sent to Vietnam - 1969"
"Stomp Grapes - - Not People"
"16,000,000 lbs. of Grapes for the Armed Forces, Why?"

DEMONSTRATION AT FORT MC PHERSON, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, OCTOBER 25, 1969, AT 11:30 A.M., SPONSORED BY THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PROTESTING INCREASED PURCHASE OF GRAPES BY DEFENSE DEPARTMENT

"Boycott Grapes - - Buy Georgia Peaches"
"Department of Defense Bombs Grape Strike"
"Gov't Tries Union Busting With Taxpayers Money"
"It's our Gov't Too, Why is DOD trying to Break the Grape Strike?"

In the leaflet captioned, "Washington, D. C. Nov. 15 - - U. S. Out of Vietnam Now!", mentioned above, the Atlanta Chapters of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), also known as Atlanta Revolutionary Youth Movement II (ARYM II), announced the formation of the "Nat Turner Brigade" to go to Washington, leaving Atlanta, Georgia, at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, November 14, 1969, by bus, to participate in the Vietnam Moritorium activities. The leaflet stated that the ARYM II was going to Washington "to express the basic theme of Solidarity With the Vietnamese."

A characterization of SDS is included in this memorandum.

The following listed individuals were observed to be included among participants in the above-described demonstration:

SDS

[redacted] } member of Student for a Democratic Society, Ga

Atlanta Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam

[redacted]

DEMONSTRATION AT FORT MC PHERSON,
ATLANTA, GEORGIA, OCTOBER 25, 1969,
AT 11:30 A.M., SPONSORED BY THE
UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING
COMMITTEE, PROTESTING INCREASED
PURCHASE OF GRAPES BY DEFENSE DEPARTMENT

United Farm Workers

DARY OLSON

DARY EVAN OLSON
KAREN LYNN OLSON

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At approximately 1:45 p.m., the demonstrators dispersed.

There were no known incidents of violence, and no arrests were made during the demonstration.

Officials of United States Secret Service, Atlanta, Georgia, 111th Military Intelligence Group, Fort McPherson, Georgia, and the Atlanta Police Department were advised concerning the planned demonstrations.

A characterization of SMC is included in this memorandum.

STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY (SDS)

A source has advised that the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), as it is known today, came into being at a founding convention held at Port Huron, Michigan, in June, 1962. From an initial ideological posture of "participatory democracy," the current line of the national leaderahip reveals an adherence to Marxism-Leninism. Michael Klonsky, National Secretary, in March, 1969, called for the building of a revolutionary Marxist-Leninist movement. The program of SDS has moved from involvement in civil rights struggles to an anti-Vietnam war position and finally to its present advocacy of an anti-imperialist line, linking up the oppressed peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America, with the black liberation movement in the United States. China, Vietnam and Cuba are regarded as countries which are leading the world-wide struggles against United States imperialism. On the other hand, SDS regards the Soviet Union as an imperialist power and does not support the policies of that country.

SDS maintains a National Office in Room 206, 1608 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois. Its official paper "New Left Notes" reflects the line of the national leadership and program adopted at meetings of the National Council and National Interim Committee (NIC). Three national officers and a NIC of eleven members are elected each year during a June National Convention.

SDS Regional Offices and university and college chapters elect delegates to National Council meetings wherein program and ideology are debated, but each Region and chapter is autonomous in nature and is free to carry out independent policy and programs reflective of local conditions.

STUDENT MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE,
Also Known As
Student Mobilization Committee To
End The War in Vietnam;
National Student Mobilization Committee

A source advised on May 16, 1969, that the Student Mobilization Committee originally grew out of the National Student Strike for Peace conference held in Chicago, Illinois, on December 28-29, 1966, which resulted in a call for massive antiwar demonstrations in New York City and San Francisco, California, on April 15, 1967. The National Student Strike for Peace was originally called by the Communist Party (CP). Divisions arose between elements of the CP and the Socialist Workers Party (SWP), culminating in a take-over by the SWP element in the Summer of 1968 and the CP element withdrawing. Source further advised the Student Mobilization Committee locally and nationally is controlled by the SWP and its youth arm, Young Socialist Alliance (YSA), as evidenced by their participation in Student Mobilization Committee functions and their leadership role played in the Student Mobilization Committee.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

A report by the Committee On Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, Ninetieth Congress, First Session, dated March 31, 1967, entitled "Communist Origin and Manipulation of Vietnam Week (April 8-15, 1967)" stated that the Student Mobilization Committee and the April 15, 1967, antiwar demonstrations were Communist dominated and inspired.

A second source on April 3, 1969, made available a copy of "The Student Mobilizer" dated April 5, 1969, which was self-described as being published by the National Office of the Student Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam, 857 Broadway, Room 307, New York, New York, 10003. In this issue, the aims of the Student Mobilization Committee were set forth as: Bring the GIs home from Vietnam now; end campus complicity with the war; and win self-determination for Vietnam and Black America.

STUDENT MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE

In this issue of the publication, the Student Mobilization Committee pledged itself to organize high school students, college students, future draftees, GIs, and all young people to fight until every last GI is brought home.

A third source on August 5, 1969, advised that the Student Mobilization Committee currently occupies Room 307 at 857 Broadway, New York, New York.

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TO DIRECTOR (1[illegible]-444762) PLAINTEXT

FROM CHICAGO (1[illegible]-42552) (P) 1P

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA); RM

[redacted]

[redacted] AT TWELVE THIRTY PM, INSTANT, ADVISED TWENTY PICKETS REPRESENTING THE UNITED FARM WORKERS FORMERLY KNOWN AS NFWA WERE PICKETING KROGER GROCERY STORE THIRTY TWENTY SOUTH HALSTED, CHICAGO, ILL. THERE WAS NO VIOLENCE AND PICKETS ONLY DISRUPTING BUSINESS.

AT ONE TWENTY PM [redacted] ADVISED FIFTEEN OF THE PICKETS WERE ARRESTED FOR DISTURBING THE PEACE IN THAT THE STORE DOORWAY WAS BEING BLOCKED.

NO DAMAGE AT SITE OF PICKETING AND AREA REMAINS CALM.

USA, SECRET SERVICE AND MILITARY ADVISED.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA)
RM

Re Chicago teletype dated 11/8/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM dated and entitled as above. Copies of this LHM have been disseminated locally to the USA, Chicago, US Secret Service, Chicago, and Region 1, 113th Military Intelligence Group, Evanston, Illinois.

The indices of the Chicago Office were searched concerning individuals mentioned in the enclosed LHM, and on the basis of available information, no identifiable references concerning these individuals were located.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 100-42662

November 12, 1969
Chicago, Illinois

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HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 2-19-80 BY SP1 [illegible]

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA)

[redacted], Chicago, Illinois, advised at 12:30 p.m., November 8, 1969, that 20 pickets, representing the United Farm Workers, formerly known as the NFWA, were picketing at the Kroger Food Store, 3020 South Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois, protesting the sale of California table grapes by stores in the Kroger food chain. [redacted] stated the picket was peaceful; however, the picket line was causing some difficulty to individuals desirous of entering or exiting from the Kroger Food Store. b7C b7D b7C b7D

[redacted] subsequently advised at 1:20 p.m., November 8, 1969, that 15 of the above pickets were arrested for disturbing the peace inasmuch as their activity was preventing individuals from gaining entry to or leaving from the Kroger Food Store. [redacted] stated that there was no damage caused by the picketers, and that the area remained calm. b7C b7D b7C b7D

On November 12, 1969, [redacted], advised the following individuals were arrested by members of the Chicago Police Department, 9th District, for their activities during a picket of the Kroger Food Store, 3020 South Halsted Street, Chicago, on November 8, 1969: b7C b7D

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Enclosure

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA)

Roseann Algaier
White Female
Age 16
Resides 2549 West 81st Place
Chicago, Illinois
B. APPROX 1953

Maureen B. Clark
White Female
Age 15
Resides 8056 South Hoyne
Chicago, Illinois
B. APPROX 1954

Ricardo M. Hernandez
White Male
Age 14
Resides 902 West 19th Street
Chicago, Illinois
B. APPROX 1956

Humbert Levin
White Male
Age 27
Resides 1716 South Carpenter
Chicago, Illinois
B. APPROX 1942

John P. Martinek
White Male
Age 22
Resides 2461 South Forrestville
Chicago, Illinois
B. APPROX 1947

Raymond Patlan
White Male
Age 23
Resides 730 West 18th Street
Chicago, Illinois
B. APPROX 1946

Joyce Villar
White Female
Age 27
Resides 2513 South Central Park
Chicago, Illinois
B. APPROX 1942

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA)

Anna Velman
White Female
Age 21 B. APPROX 1948
Resides 1949 West 21st Place
Chicago, Illinois

Jean Marie Lahrman
White Female
Age 27 B. APPROX 1942
Resides 1116 South Seminary
Chicago, Illinois

Victor Pasnick
White Male
Age 30 B. APPROX 1939
Resides 7939 South Coles
Chicago, Illinois

Reverend James A. Colleran
White Male
Age 32 B. APPROX 1937
Resides St. Vitus Catholic Church
1818 West Paulina
Chicago, Illinois

William Masterson
White Male B. APPROX 1949
Age 20
Resides 1300 South Wabash Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Xavier Pineda
White Male B. APPROX 1947
Age 21
Resides 1851 South Alport
Chicago, Illinois

Jorge Prieto
White Male B. APPROX 1951
Age 18
Resides 1514 South Stewart
Chicago, Illinois

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA)

Juan M. Hernandez
White Male
Age 25 B. APPROX 1944
Resides 902 West 19th Street
Chicago, Illinois

Officer Koleczek advised all of the above individuals were charged with disturbing the peace, were booked and released.

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Chicago, Illinois

United States Secret Service
Chicago, Illinois

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Evanston, Illinois

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441PM URGENT 12-20-69 DJS

TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO (100-42662) 1P

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, RM. [redacted]

[redacted], ADVISED INSTANT [redacted] TWENTY INDIVIDUALS CONDUCTED PROTEST DEMONSTRATION THIS DATE [redacted] AGAINST SALE OF CALIFORNIA GRAPES AT JEWEL FOOD STORE, FORTY-THREE HUNDRED OAKTON AVENUE, SKOKIE, ILLINOIS. DEMONSTRATORS [redacted] BLOCKED ENTRANCE TO STORE AND SKOKIE PD AT REQUEST OF JEWEL FOOD COMPANY OFFICIALS PROVIDED ADDITIONAL POLICE PROTECTION TO AREA. DEMONSTRATORS REFUSED TO CONDUCT DEMONSTRATION WITHOUT BLOCKING ENTRANCE TO STORE. TWELVE PROTESTORS TAKEN INTO POLICE CUSTODY. FOUR OF TWELVE WERE JUVENILES. OTHER DEMONSTRATORS PEACEFULLY DISPERSED AND AREA NOW NORMAL. PERTINENT AGENCEIS COGNIZANT. ADMINISTRATIVE

DEMONSTRATION APPEARS TO BE ONE OF MANY SPONTANEOUS PROTESTS CONDUCTED AGAINST JEWEL FOOD COMPANY ONLY. LHM FOLLOWS WITH IDENTITY OF THOSE ARRESTED.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662) (C)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL FARM WORKERS' ASSOCIATION [redacted]
RM

[redacted]

OO: SACRAMENTO

Re Chicago teletype to the Bureau dated 12/20/69, captioned "UNITED FARM WORKERS' ORGANIZING COMMITTEE. RM."

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

Copies of this LHM have been designated for the USA, Chicago, Secret Service, Chicago, and Region 1, 113th MI Group, Evanston, Illinois.

A review of the files of the Chicago Office, based on information available, failed to reveal any information identifiable with the individuals listed in the enclosed LHM.

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11 ENCLOSURE

AGENCY: ACSI, [redacted], SEC, SERV.,
DEPT: ISD, [redacted], IDIU, [redacted]
HOW FORW: K/S
DATE FORW: 12/29/69
BY: [illegible]

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Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Chicago, Illinois
December 24, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 100-42662

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS' ASSOCIATION

On December 20, 1969, [redacted] advised that, on that date, twenty individuals conducted a protest demonstration against the sale of California table grapes at the Jewel Food Store, 4300 Oakton Avenue, Skokie, Illinois.

The demonstrators blocked the entrance to the store. Officials of the Jewel Food Company requested the Skokie PD to provide police protection for the store. Police officials requested that the demonstrators conduct their demonstration without blocking the entrance to the store. The demonstrators refused. The demonstrators were told to disperse and twelve individuals refused to do so. After a second warning to disperse, eight individuals continued their refusal to leave the area and were placed under arrest. The remaining demonstrators left the scene of the demonstration peacefully.

The demonstrators indicated that they represented the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, American Federation of Labor - Congress of Industrial Organizations and that they were supporting the National Farm Workers' Association in that group's nationwide protest of the sale of California table grapes.

[redacted] advised that the following individuals were arrested and charged with disorderly conduct; they were released after booking and a court appearance was set for January 19, 1970:

Cary Berkelhamer, white, male, date of birth (DOB) January 30, 1953, 4144 Enfield, Skokie, Illinois.

Michael D. Bierke, white, male, DOB July 27, 1954, 7820 Nordica, Niles, Illinois.

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Mort Schaffner, white, male, DOB December 20, 1953, 9515 Leamington, Skokie, Illinois

Holly Gump, white, female, DOB June 28, 1955, 9114 Linder, Morton Grove, Illinois

Karyne Pritikin, white, female, DOB June 6, 1953, 4441 Palma, Skokie, Illinois

Michele J. Patino, white, female, DOB September 1, 1952, 7897 Nordic, Niles, Illinois

Brandon Howard Leavitt, white, male, DOB June 14, 1952, 6816 North Kilbourn, Lincolnwood, Illinois

Marc S. Pearl, DOB May 20, 1952, 9627 Kostner, Skokie.

Copies of this memorandum are being furnished to the following agencies:

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United States Secret Service, Chicago, Illinois.

Region 1, 113th Military Intelligence Group, Evanston, Illinois.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-455872) DATE: 12/31/69

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-7919) (C)

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATION AT FORT MC PHERSON, ATLANTA, GEORGIA, 10/25/69 AT 11:30 A.M. SPONSORED BY THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, PROTESTING INCREASED PURCHASE OF GRAPES BY DEFENSE DEPARTMENT
IS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau dated 10/23/69, Atlanta teletype to Bureau dated 10/25/69, and Atlanta airtel to Bureau dated 11/5/69.

A review of above captioned file has revealed that logical investigation regarding captioned matter has been completed and furnished to the Bureau in form suitable for dissemination.

For the above reason captioned case is being placed in a closed status at the Atlanta Division.

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NR017 CG PLAIN

523PM NITEL 4-15-70 BCK

TO DIRECTOR

FROM CHICAGO (100-42662) 1P

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE. RM.

[redacted] ADVISED TODAY THAT UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE WILL HOLD PICKET DEMONSTRATION AT REGIONAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION OFFICES, FOUR THREE THREE WEST VAN BUREN, CG, FROM NOON TO ONE PM, APRIL SIXTEEN, NEXT, TO PROTEST USE OF PESTICIDES. ABOVE GROUP HAS PREVIOUSLY HELD DEMONSTRATIONS AT CHICAGO PROTESTING SALE OF CALIFORNIA GRAPES BY GROCERY STORES.

PERTINENT AGENCIES COGNIZANT.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

CG FOLLOWING. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.

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642PM NITEL 4-16-70 BCK

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UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE. RM. [redacted]

BUREAU AGENT OBSERVED FORTY PERSONS ASSOCIATED WITH UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE GATHER OUTSIDE OF REGIONAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, FOUR THREE THREE WEST VAN BUREN, CG, NOON TODAY. GROUP PASSED OUT LITERATURE CALLING FOR MORATORIUM ON USE OF DANGEROUS PESTICIDES ON FOOD GROWN IN STATE OF ILLINOIS. GROUP CARRIED SIGNS READING: "DON'T BUY POISON GRAPES," "NO MORE POISON IN ILLINOIS," "OUTLAW PESTICIDES." GROUP ALSO CARRIED PAPER BLACK COFFIN WITH GRAPE CENTER-PIECE AND MOCK AIRPLANE TO SYMBOLIZE DANGERS OF USING PESTICIDES IN CROP

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DUSTING. GROUP DEPARTED ONE P.M. TODAY. NO INCIDENTS OR ARRESTS.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES COGNIZANT.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

REMYTEL FOUR FIFTEEN LAST. SA [redacted] OBSERVED. NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

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NR003 WF PLAIN

601AM NITEL 4-28-70 CXR

TO DIRECTOR

BALTIMORE (VIA WASHINGTON)

FROM WASHINGTON FIELD 3P

[redacted]

MARCH TO AND DEMONSTRATION AT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WASHINGTON, D. C., MAY ONE DASH THREE, NINETEEN SEVENTY, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO; INTERNAL SECURITY - SPANISH AMERICAN

ST
CR

ON INSTANT DATE, [redacted]

ADVISED THAT A CONTINGENT OF UNITED FARM WORKERS (UFW) WILL MARCH TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ON MAY THREE, NEXT, TO PROTEST LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE OBSTACLES TO EQUAL RIGHTS FOR FARM WORKERS AND TO PETITION FOR REMEDIES, AND TO STRESS CONTINUED BOYCOTT OF NON-UNION GRAPES.

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THE MARCH WILL COMMENCE AT COLUMBIA, MARYLAND AT ONE P. M., MAY FIRST, WILL RESUME AT EIGHT A.M., MAY SECOND, AT BURTONSVILLE, MARYLAND, AND WILL RESUME AT JESSUP BLAIR PARK, SILVER SPRING,

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MARYLAND, AT NINE A.M., SUNDAY, MAY THIRD. CHURCH SERVICES WILL BE HELD IN THE PARK. AT TEN FIFTEEN A.M., THE GROUP WILL MARCH DOWN GEORGIA AVENUE AND CONNECTING STREETS TO THE MALL IN FRONT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WHERE A RALLY WILL COMMENCE AT TWO THIRTY P.M. THE RALLY WILL INCLUDE SPEECHES BY LABOR, RELIGIOUS, COMMUNITY LEADERS AND CONGRESSMEN. FOLK SINGERS PETE SEEGER AND JUDY COLLINS HAVE BEEN INVITED TO ENTERTAIN.

NEGOTIATIONS FOR PERMITS ARE BEING CONDUCTED BY REVEREND EUGENE L. BOUTILIER, SEVEN THREE THREE TWO PINEY BRANCH ROAD, TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND. CEASAR CHAVEZ WILL LEAD THE MARCH. SIX THOUSAND DEMONSTRATORS ARE EXPECTED.

LOCAL DISSEMINATION WAS MADE TO AUSA, SECRET SERVICE, ONE ONE SIX M.I. GROUP, NISO, WDC AND OSI, FOURTH DISTRICT.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

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WFO FOLLOWING THROUGH LIAISON WITH MPD AND U.S PARK POLICE. APPROPRIATE SOURCHES HAVE BEEN ALERTED RE ANY POTENTIAL FOR VIOLENCE.

BALTIMORE SHOULD AFFORD SIMILAR COVERAGE.

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836 PM URGENT 4-29-70 GLC

TO DIRECTOR

FROM PITTSBURGH (62-3292)

DEMONSTRATIONS BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC), PITTSBURGH, PA., MAY ONE, NINETEEN SEVENTY

ON APRIL TWENTY-NINE, NINETEEN SEVENTY, A SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED THAT ON MAY ONE, NINETEEN SEVENTY, SUPPORTERS OF THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC) WERE SPONSORING A GRAPE BOYCOTT DEMONSTRATION IN DOWNTOWN PITTSBURGH. DEMONSTRATION TO BEGIN IN MARKET SQUARE AT ABOUT FOUR THIRTY PM, AND PROCEED ALONG LIBERTY TO THE FEDERAL BUILDING, AFTER WHICH MARCH WILL PROCEED ACROSS ONE OF THE BRIDGES TO THE NORTH SIDE FOR DEMONSTRATION AT A SUPERMARKET. SOURCE ADVISED THE REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALIST UNION (RSU) AT PITTSBURGH, FORMER SDS CHAPTER WAS PROMOTING PUBLICITY IN CONNECTION WITH THE GRAPE BOYCOTT DEMONSTRATION. SOURCE SAID NO ACTS OF VIOLENCE OR CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE WERE PLANNED.

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ARMY INTELLIGENCE, OSI, SECRET SERVICE, USA, ALL PITTSBURGH, PA., AND NISO, PHILADELPHIA, PA., ADVISED. PITTSBURGH PD COGNIZANT.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED. PITTSBURGH WILL FOLLOW. P.

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TO DIRECTOR

ATTN DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON FIELD

FROM BALTIMORE (105-15573)

MARCH TO AND DEMONSTRATION AT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WASHINGTON, D.C., MAY ONE - THREE, SEVENTY, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO; INTERNAL SECURITY - SPANISH AMERICAN.

ON INSTANT DATE, [redacted] ADVISED APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED PREDOMINATELY WHITE SUPPORTERS OF CAPTIONED EVENT CONGREGATED AT SLATON HOUSE (SH), THE VILLAGE GREEN, COLUMBIA, MARYLAND, AT ELEVEN A.M., ON MAY ONE, INSTANT TO ORGANIZE FOR MARCH TO UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA), WDC, WHICH WILL TERMINATE AT USDA, MAY THREE NEXT. SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS SPOKE EXTEMPORANEOUSLY TO THOSE PRESENT, AND AT ONE THIRTY P.M., MARCHERS LEFT SH FOR BURTONSVILLE, MARYLAND, VIA MARYLAND ROUTE TWO NINE, WHERE REPORTEDLY THEY WILL RESIDE EVENING OF INSTANT DATE.

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PLACARDS CARRIED BY SEVERAL DEMONSTRATORS, SOME OF WHICH READ "FARM WORKERS PILGRIMAGE FOR JUSTICE", "HELP FARMWORKERS ACHIEVE JUSTICE AND EQUALITY", "BOYCOTT GRAPES", AND "MARCH FOR FAIR TREATMENT NOW".

CEZAR CHAVEZ, NATIONAL ORGANIZER, UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC), NOT IN ATTENDANCE, BUT SCHEDULED TO BE PRESENT AT USDA, WASHINGTON, D.C., MAY THREE NEXT. JOSE GUEVARA, ACTING AS COORDINATOR OF MARCH.

NO INCIDENTS OR ARRESTS.

ONE ZERO NINTH MIGP, SECRET SERVICE, AND US, ALL BALTIMORE, ADIVSED.

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RE BA TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR AND WFO DATED APRIL THIRTY LAST.

PORTIONS OF ABOVE MARCH OBSERVED BY SA [redacted] BALTIMORE FOLLOWING.

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NR004 PG PLAIN

832PM URGENT 5/1/70 MCF

TO DIRECTOR AND WFO

WFO VIA DIRECTOR

FROM PITTSBURGH (62-3292) 2P

DEMONSTRATIONS BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC), PITTSBURGH, PA., MAY ONE, NINETEEN SEVENTY

REFERENCE IS MADE TO COMMUNICATION OF APRIL TWENTY-NIN[redacted] SEVENTY, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

ON MAY ONE, SEVENTY, A SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED THAT AT A MAY DAY RALLY HELD THIS DATE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH, PITTSBURGH, PA., IT WAS ANNOUNCED BY ALBERT ROJAS, GRAPE BOYCOTT ORGANIZER AT PITTSBURGH, THAT THE GRAPE BOYCOTT DEMONSTRATION PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED TO BE HELD AT PITTSBURGH THIS DATE BY THE UFWOC, WAS CALLED OFF. SOURCE ADVISED ROJAS HAD STATED GRAPE DEMONSTRATION WAS CANCELLED TO ENABLE THE UFWOC TO WORK ON PREPARATIONS FOR THE MARCH ON WASHINGTON D. C., FOR JUSTICE TO FARM WORKERS, MAY TWO, NEXT.

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A SECOND SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED THAT THERE BUS LOAD OF DEMONSTRATORS WERE

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LEAVING PITTSBURGH AT SEVEN PM FIVE TWO SEVENTY, TO TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON, D.C. FOR THE DEMONSTRATION THERE. SOURCE ADVISED THEY ARE SCHEDULED TO DEPART WDC AT FIVE THIRTY PM, FIVE THREE SEVENTY. BUSES WILL DEPART FROM THE AREA OF THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT.

ARMY INTELLIGENCE, OSI, SECRET SERVICE, USA, ALL PITTSBURGH, PA., AND NISO, PHILADELPHIA, PA., ADVISED.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

REMYTEL DATED APRIL TWENTY-NINE, LAST.

THIS TELETYPE IS ALSO DIRECTED TO WFO FOR INFO IN CONNECTION WITH THEIR CASE "MARCH TO AND DEMONSTRATIONS AT DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE WDC, FIVE ONE - THREE SEVENTY BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGINAZING COMMITTEE, AFL - CIO: IS - SPANISH AMERICAN, WFO FILE 100-51443." NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED. C

FIRST SOURCE IS [redacted]

SECOND SOURCE [redacted]

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11:30AM URGENT 5-3-70 JPC

TO DIRECTOR

ATTN DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON FIELD

FROM BALTIMORE (105-15573)

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MARCH TO AND DEMONSTRATION AT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WASHINGTON, D.C., MAY ONE- THREE, SEVENTY, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO: INTERNAL SECURITY- SPANISH AMERICAN.

MARCHERS TOTALING FIVE TO SIX HUNDRED IN NUMBER GATHERED AT JESSUPS BLAIR PARK, SILVER SPRINGS, MARYLAND, "URF", EIGHT- THIRTY AM. INSTANT FOR CHURCH SERVICES FOLLOWED BY SPEECH GIVEN BY CESAR CHAVEZ, WHO ADVOCATED NON-VIOLENCE IN THEIR DEMONSTRATION. MARCHERS DEPARTED JSP TEN-FIFTEEN AM. INSTANT AND CROSSED INTO DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ON GEORGIA AVENUE. TEN TWENTY AM. MARCHERS TO STOP FOR LUNCH AT SAINT STEVENS CHURCH, SIXTEENTH AND NEWTON, NW, WDC. MARCHERS CARRYING U.S. AND STATE FLAGS. NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS REPORTED. PROCESSION EXTREMELY ORDERLY.

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411 PM URGENT 4-30-70 PWM

TO DIRECTOR

ATTN DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON FIELD

FROM BALTIMORE (105-15573) 3P

MARCH TO AND DEMONSTRATION AT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WDC, MAY ONE - THREE, SEVENTY BY UNITED FARMS WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO; INTERNAL SECURITY - SPAINISH AMERICAN.

ON APRIL THIRTY INSTANT, [redacted] PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFORMATION RE CAPTIONED MARCH AND DEMONSTRATION:

MARCH TO ORGANIZE AND COMMENCE COLUMBIA, MARYLAND, MAY ONE NEXT AND PROCEED VIA MARYLAND ROUTE TWENTY-NINE TO BURTONSVILLE, MARYLAND, WHERE MARCHERS WILL REMAIN FOR NIGHT OF MAY ONE NEXT IN A CHURCH OF UNKNOWN NAME AND PRIVATE RESIDENCES. ON MORNING OF MAY TWO NEXT, MARCH WILL RESUME DOWN MARYLAND ROUTE TWENTY-NINE TO JESSUP BLAIR PARK (JBP), SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND. A RALLY WILL BE HELD AT JBP BETWEEN HOURS OF FIVE THIRTY P.M. AND EIGHT P.M. MARCHERS PLAN TO RESIDE IN HOMES OF PRIVATE RESIDENCE NIGHT OF MAY TWO SEVENTY.

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 3/17/72

Attached reports United Farm Workers (UFW) plan to hold a picket-type demonstration at the Americana Hotel, New York City, protesting the appearance of Vice President Agnew at the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick's annual dinner this evening. According to a spokesman of the UFW, approximately 50 persons are expected to participate in the demonstration, which is being held because the UFW feels the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) is now dominated by Republican Party appointees and the NLRB is cooperating with the large farmers and growers to the detriment of the UFW. This spokesman also stated the UFW has launched a campaign of confronting the Republican Party wherever any of its spokesmen or principal candidates appear. Subsequent information received indicated about 50 UFW demonstrators protested on evening 3/17/72. There were no incidents or arrests. The UFW is a recognized labor organization, principally representing migrant farm workers and headed by Cesar Chavez.

This information has been furnished by our New York Office to the Secret Service and the New York City Police Department. It has also been furnished by teletype to the President, the Vice President, Secret Service, and the Acting Attorney General.

CEE:jan/kah

ON MORNING OF MAY THREE NEXT, MARCHERS PLAN TO ATTEND CHURCH SERVICES (CHURCH UNKNOWN), AND THEN PROCEED TO U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA), WDC, WHERE RALLY WILL COMMENCE AT TWO THIRTY P.M. NO DETAILS AVAILABLE RE RALLY AT USDA OR THEREAFTER.

MARCH ORGANIZER IS CAESAR CHAVEZ, P.O. BOX ONE THREE ZERO DELANO, CALIFORNIA, TELEPHONE EIGHT ZERO FIVE - SEVEN TWO FIVE - NINE SEVEN ZERO THREE.

PERMIT REQUESTED AND RECEIVED FROM MARYLAND NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK PLANNING COMMISSION TO USE JBP.

AN ESTIMATED ONE THOUSAND TO FIFTEEN HUNDRED PERSONS TO ATTEND RALLY AT JBP AND AN ESTIMATED FIVE HUNDRED TO ONE THOUSAND PERSONS TO ATTEND RALLY AT USDA.

STATED PURPOSES OF MARCH AND DEMONSTRATION ARE TO PROTEST LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE OBSTACLES TO EQUAL RIGHTSFOR FARM WORKERS AND TO PETITION FOR REMEDIES. PROTEST ALSO TO BRING ATTENTION TO BOYCOTT ON NON-UNION GRAPES.

ON APRIL THIRTY INSTANT, [redacted] ADVISED DEMONSTRATORS RELATED

END PAGE TWO

TO CAPTIONED DEMONSTRATION ARE SCHEDULED TO CONGREGATE AT SLATON HOUSE, THE VILLAGE GREEN, COLUMBIA, MARYLAND, AT TWELVE P.M. ON MAY ONE NEXT. MARCH IS TO COMMENCE FROM BURTONSVILLE, MARYLAND, AT ONE P.M., MAY ONE NEXT. [redacted] STATED NO PERMIT TO ASSEMBLE WAS APPLIED FOR BECAUSE NO PERMITS TO ASSEMBLE ARE REQUIRED IN HOWARD COUNTY.

ONE ZERO NINTH MIGP, SECRET SERVICE, AND USA, ALL BALTIMORE, ADVISED.

ADMINISTRATIVE

BALTIMORE FOLLOWING.

NO LHM.

END

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922 PM URGENT 5-1-70 PWM

TO DIRECTOR

ATTN DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON FIELD

FROM BALTIMORE (105-15573)

[redacted]

MARCH TO AND DEMONSTRATION AT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WASHINGTON, D.C., MAY ONE - THREE, SEVENTY, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO; INTERNAL SECURITY - SPAINISH AMERICAN.

MARCHERS TOTALLING ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY FIVE PERSON DEPARTED COLUMBIA CITY, MARYLAND, ONE P.M. INSTANT ON ROUTE BURTONSVILLE, MARYLAND, VIA STATE ROUTE TWENTY-NINE, ARRIVING SIX TEN P.M.

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MINISTER, LIBERTY GROVE METHODIST CHURCH, LIBERTY GROVE ROAD, BURTONSVILLE, MARYLAND ACCOMMODATING NINETY MARCHERS OVER NIGHT AT CHURCH, WHILE REMAINING NINETY-FIVE PERSONS PUT-UP OVER NIGHT BY CONGREGATION MEMBERS.

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MARCH PEACEFUL AND NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS, TOO RESUME TEN A.M. FIVE TWO NEXT, VIA ROUTE TWENTY-NINE TO JESSUP BLAIR PARK, SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND.END PAGE ONE

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BALTIMORE FOLLOWING.

NO LHM.

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10:11PM 5-2-70 URGENT JEE

TO DIRECTOR (ATTN DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION)

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (WFO VIA WASHINGTON)

FROM BALTIMORE

MARCH TO AND DEMONSTRATION AT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WASHINGTON, D.C., MAY ONE - THREE, SEVENTY, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFO-CIO; INTERNAL SECURITY - SPANISH AMERICAN.

APPROXIMATELY THREE HUNDRED MARCHERS ARRIVED JESSUP BLAIR PARK (JBP) SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND, FOUR THIRTY P.M., INSTANT. RALLY AT JBP ATTENDED BY DR. RALPH ABERNATHY AND DAVID SULLIVAN. ABERNATHY SPOKE OUT AGAINST PRESENT ADMINISTRATION PARTICULARLY PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, AND SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE, FOR EIGHT TO TEN MINUTES IN DURATION. ABERNATHY ARRIVED SIX TEN P.M., IN LATE MODEL PONTIAC BEARING DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA REGISTRATION TAGS (NUMBER UNKNOWN).

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MARCHERS SOLICITED OVERNIGHT QUARTERS FROM AREA RESIDENTS AND NO OVERNIGHT BEDDING CONTEMPLATED AT JBP.

15 MAY 6 1970

PROCESSION AND RALLY ORDERLY AND NO INCIDENTS REPORTED.

RALLY TO RESUME AT JBP NINE THIRTY A.M., FIVE THREE NEXT WITH RELIGIOUS PRAYER AND DEPART TEN A.M., FOR WASHINGTON D.C., SOUTH

END PAGE ONE

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ON GEORGIA AVE.; SOUTHWEST TO ARKANSAS AVENUE ON TO SIXTEENTH STREET, AND STOP FOR LUNCH AT ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, SIXTEENTH AND NEWTON STREETS OR AT ALL SOULS UNITARIAN CHUBCH IF LARGER CROWD JOINS MARCH.

CAESER CHAVEZ SCHEDULED TO SPEAK FIVE THREE NEXT AT WASHINGTON D.C.

ONE ZERO NINTH MIGP, SECRET SERVICE, WDC AND USA BALTIMORE ADVISED.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

BALTIMORE FOLLOWING.

NO LHM.

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FBI WASH DC

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FBI

Date: 5/4/70

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Mr. DeLoach
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, WFO (100-51443) (RUC)

MARCH TO AND DEMONSTRATION AT
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
WASHINGTON, D. C., 5/1-3/70,
BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING
COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO;
IS - SPANISH AMERICAN

ReWFOtel 4/28/70.

Enclosed are 11 copies to Bureau and 2 to Sacramento of an LHM suitable for dissemination, captioned as above.

[redacted]

SA [redacted], observed activities at Department of Agriculture, WDC, on 5/3/70.

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Local dissemination was made to AUSA, Secret Service, 116th MIG, NISO, WDC, and OSI, 4th District.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20535

May 4, 1970

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

MARCH TO AND DEMONSTRATION AT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MAY 1 - 3, 1970, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AFL-CIO

On April 28, 1970, [redacted] advised that a contingent of United Farm Workers (UFW), would march to the Department of Agriculture to protest legislative and administrative obstacles to equal rights for farm workers and to petition for remedies, and to stress continued boycott of non-union grapes.

The march was scheduled to commence at Columbia, Maryland, on May 1, 1970, leave Burtonsville, Maryland, on May 2, and resume at Jessup Blair Park, Silver Spring, Maryland, on Sunday, May 3.

On Sunday, May 3, 1970, a representative of the FBI observed about 200 people leave St. Stephen and the Incarnation Church, 16th and Newton Streets, N.W., about 12:45 p.m. The group, carrying UFW banners and sometimes chanting "Boycott Scab Grapes," "Viva La Huelga," marched in a very orderly manner to the North Agriculture Building, via 16th Street, N.W., through Lafayette Park, and 15th Street, N.W. The group were predominently white, with a few Spanish Americans and Negroes.

At North Agriculture on the Mall, east of 14th Street, N.W., the above group merged with another five to six hundred demonstrators.

Commencing about 3:45 p.m., the group were greeted by J. C. Turner of the District of Columbia Labor Council.

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MARCH TO AND DEMONSTRATION AT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MAY 1 - 3, 1970, BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE AFL-CIO

Speakers included Senator Fred R. Harris (D) from Oklahoma, Representative Ogden R. Reid (R) of New York, Cynthia Wedel, head of the National Council of Churches, former Secretary of Labor Willard Wirtz, Cesar Chavez, and representatives from the United Auto Workers, National Welfare Rights Organization, American Federation of Teachers, Consumers Federation of America and the AFL-CIO.

The rally ended without incident about 4:45 p.m.

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6:36 PM 11-13-70 GMP

TO DIRECTOR (100-444762)

FROM CHICAGO (100-42662)

TELETYPE

[redacted]

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA), RM. OO: SC

[redacted]

SOURCE, RELIABLE, ADVISED NOVEMBER THIRTEEN INSTANT, CESAR CHAVEZ OF NFWA WILL LEAD PICKET DEMONSTRATION OF NATIONAL TEA COMPANY, SEVEN FOUR ZERO WEST DIVERSEY, CHICAGO, STARTING AT TEN A.M., NOVEMBER FOURTEEN, NEXT. PICKET PART OF NFWA'S NATIONAL PROTEST OF SALE OF LETTUCE GROWN ON FARMS STRUCK BY NFWA.

CHAVEZ ALSO SCHEDULED TO SPEAK BEFORE OPERATION BREADBASKET, ECONOMIC ARM OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, ON NOVEMBER FOURTEEN, NEXT, TO SOLICIT THAT GROUP'S SUPPORT OF ABOVE PICKET.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES ADVISED.

ADMINISTRATIVE

SO[redacted]

CHICAGO WILL ADVISED BY APPROPRIATE CORRESPONDENCE, OUTCOME ABOVE PICKET.

AIRMAIL COPY FURNISHED SC AS OO CAPTIONED GROUP.

CHICAGO FOLLOWING.

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Memorandum

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: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-[illegible]762) DATE: 11/17/70

FROM SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662) (RUC)

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
(OO: Sacramento)

[redacted] 836

Re Chicago teletype dated 11/13/70.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies, and for Sacramento one copy, of an LHM dated and entitled as above.

Source utilized is [redacted]

The SA who monitored the meeting of Operation Breadbasket was SA [redacted]

An information copy of this letter and Letterhead Memorandum is being furnished to Sacramento for information inasmuch as that division is origin in captioned matter. Chicago is placing this matter in RUC status.

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2 - Bureau (157-15963) (Enc 8) (RM)
1 - Sacramento (Info) (Enc 1) (RM)
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U.S. STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 100-42662

Chicago, Illinois
November 17, 1970

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA)

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on November 13, 1970, that Cesar Chavez, the leader of the National Farm Workers Association (NFWA), would be in Chicago, Illinois on November 14, 1970, to lead a picket demonstration of the National Tea Company, 740 West Diversey Avenue, Chicago, starting at 10:00 A.M., November 14, 1970, to protest the sale of non-union picked lettuce by the National Tea Company.

The source further advised Chavez would speak before Operation Breadbasket, the economic arm of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, on November 14, 1970, to solicit the support of Operation Breadbasket of the NFWA's boycott of non-union picked lettuce.

On November 14, 1970, the weekly meeting of Operation Breadbasket was broadcast on radio station WVON, Chicago, Illinois. In this broadcast, which was monitored by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the following statements were made:

Cesar Chavez, who was introduced by Jesse Jackson, National Director of Operation Breadbasket, stated the NFWA sponsored strike against the grape growers brought a union to the farm workers. Chavez stated now the battle continues in other areas, boycotting lettuce, because these workers need the same protection that only a union can give them. Chavez stated the "poor must fight together" and called upon Operation Breadbasket to support the NFWA picket of the National Tea Company.

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NATIONAL FARM WORKERS
ASSOCIATION (NFWA)

Jesse Jackson, speaking after Chavez, stated Operation Breadbasket "will march until National Tea is no more" unless they hire black managers, exterminators and put money in black banks. Jackson stated Operation Breadbasket will join with Cesar Chavez in the lettuce boycott.

[redacted] advised on November 16, 1970, that Cesar Chavez led a picket demonstration and rally in front of the National Tea Company, 740 West Diversey Avenue, Chicago, on November 14, 1970. The picket line was peaceful and did not interfere with the flow of individuals into or out of the National Tea Company. There were no incidents during this demonstration. The signs carried by individuals on the picket line urged the shoppers to boycott lettuce in support of the NFWA and to "demand Union label lettuce."

Copies of this memorandum have been disseminated to the following agencies:

United States Secret Service, Chicago, Illinois;

Region I, 113th Military Intelligence Group, Chicago, Illinois.

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TELETYPE Date: 11/23/70

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-444762)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662) (P)

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC), RM. OO: SC.

LITERATURE DISTRIBUTED BY UFWOC, TODAY, ANNOUNCES THREE-DAY FAST BY MEMBERS OF UFWOC IN FRONT NATIONAL TEA COMPANY, SEVEN FOUR ZERO WEST DIVERSEY AVENUE, CHICAGO, TO PROTEST SALE OF NON-UNION PICKED LETTUCE BY THAT FOOD CHAIN. FAST TO LAST FROM NOVEMBER TWENTY THREE, INSTANT, TO NOVEMBER TWENTY FIVE, NEXT.

UFWOC FURTHER ANNOUNCED RALLY IN FRONT ABOVE NATIONAL TEA COMPANY STORE BEGINNING FOUR THIRTY P.M., NOVEMBER TWENTY FIVE, NEXT. CESAR CHAVEZ, LEADER OF UFWOC, TO LEAD FAST AND RALLY.

[redacted] ADVISED INSTANT UFWOC HAD SIX PICKETS IN FRONT NATIONAL TEA COMPANY STORE, SUPRA, AT ONE P.M., INSTANT, AND AREA PEACEFUL.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES ADVISED.

ADMINISTRATIVE

RE CG LET AND LHM DATED NOVEMBER SEVENTEEN, LAST. AM COPY FURNISHED SACRAMENTO AS OO CAPTIONED MATTER. CHICAGO FOLLOWING. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED BY APPROPRIATE CORRESPONDENCE OF ANY DEVELOPMENTS.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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5:30PM URGENT 12-1-70 LSW

TO DIRECTOR

FROM PITTSBURGH (62-3292) 2P

[redacted]

Miss Gandy

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC) - PROTEST DEMONSTRATION AGAINST DOW CHEMICAL CORPORATION, PITTSBURGH, PA., DECEMBER TWO, NEXT, IS - MISC; VIDEM.

[redacted]

PITTSBURGH SOURCES, WHO HAVE FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT A PROTEST DEMONSTRATION WOULD BE HELD AGAINST THE DOW CHEMICAL CORP., PITTSBURGH, PA., IN FRONT OF THE HILTON HOTEL IN DOWNTOWN PITTSBURGH, COMMENCING FOUR P. M., DECEMBER TWO, NEXT. THE PURPOSE OF THE DEMONSTRATION, WHICH IS SPONSORED BY THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC), IS TO PROTEST THE PRODUCTION OF WAR MATERIALS BY DOW AND THE LEGAL SUIT BROUGHT AGAINST THE UFWOC BY THE DOW CHEMICAL CORP. SOURCES ADVISED DEMONSTRATION TO BE NON-VIOLENT WITH NO CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE PLANNED. UFWOC IS INTERESTED, HOWEVER, IN OBTAINING PRESS COVERAGE OF THE DEMONSTRATION.

ABOVE INFORMATION BEING DISSEMINATED TO SECRET SERVICE,

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G-TWO, USA, OSI, ALL PITTSBURGH, PA., AND NISO, PHILADELPHIA, PA. PITTSBURGH PD COGNIZANT.

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NO LHM FOLLOWS. PITTSBURGH WILL FOLLOW.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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TO DIRECTOR

FROM PITTSBURGH (62-3292)

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC)
PROTEST DEMONSTRATION AGAINST DOW CHEMICAL CORPORATION,
PITTSBURGH, PA., DECEMBER TWO, SEVENTY, IS - MISC, VIDEM.

REFERENCE IS MADE TO COMMUNICATION DATED TWELVE ONE [redacted]
SEVENTY.

ON TWELVE TWO, SEVENTY [redacted] ADVISED THAT AT
FOUR PM THIS DATE APPROXIMATELY THIRTY INDIVIDUALS MET AT THE
HILTON HOTEL IN DOWNTOWN PITTSBURGH AND MARCHED TO GATEWAY
PLAZA, A PARK NEAR THE GATEWAY FOUR BULIDING, WHERE DOW
CHEMICAL COMPANY HAS A SALES OFFICE. THERE THE DEMONSTRATORS
HEARD SPEECHES BY INDIVIDUALS WHO DESCRIBED THE DOW CHEMICAL
COMPANY AS A PRIMARY MANUFACTURE OF WAR MATERIALS AND A
COMPANY WHICH IS TRYING TO CRUSH THE FARM WORKERS MOVEMENT
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THROUGH LAW SUITS AGAINST THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC).

[redacted] ADVISED THAT AFTER THE SPEECHES WERE OVER, AT ABOUT FOUR FORTY PM, THE GROUP OF DEMONSTRATORS WHICH HAD GROWN TO APPROXIMATELY SIXTY INDIVIDUALS, PICKETED ON THE SIDEWALK IN FRONT OF THE GATEWAY FOUR BUILDING. DEMONSTRATORS CARRIED SIGNS AND DISTRIBUTED LEAFLETS.

[redacted] SAID THAT BY FIVE THIRTY-FIVE PM THE DEMONSTRATORS HAD DISBANDED AND THE DEMONSTRATION WAS OVER.

[redacted] ADVISED THAT THE DEMONSTRATION WAS ENTIRELY ORDERLY AND NO INCIDENTS OCCURED.

ABOVE INFORMATION BEING FURNISHED TO SECRET SERVICE, G-TWO, OSI, USA, ALL PITTSBURGH, PA., AND NISO, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE MYTEL TWLEVE ONE, LAST.

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED. C

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-441762)

DATE: DEC 8 1970

[redacted]

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662) (P)

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC)
RM

OO: Sacramento

Re Chicago letter and LHM, dated 11/17/70.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies, and for Sacramento is one copy of an LHM captioned National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) and dated as above.

[redacted], advised November 30, 1970, that his office had received no reports concerning the scheduled three day fast which members of the UFWOC were to have held in front of the National Tea Company Store, 740 West Diversey Avenue, Chicago from November 23-25, 1970 (as set forth in Chicago teletype captioned UFWOC, RM, dated 11/23/70). [redacted] stated if such a fast was held, the number of participants involved was so minimal that the demonstration did not come to the attention of the Chicago Police Department.

Sacramento, as office of origin in this matter, requested to advise Chicago of current policy concerning captioned group.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 100-42662

Chicago, Illinois
DEC 8 1970

NATIONAL FARM WORKERS ASSOCIATION (NFWA)

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on December 1, 1970, that the NFWA planned to picket the Dow Chemical Company, 6000 West Touhy Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, beginning at noon, December 2, 1970.

This source advised that the above picket was scheduled by the NFWA for the reasons set forth in a pamphlet captioned "Off Dow" a copy of which is attached hereto.

On December 2, 1970, [redacted] advised approximately twenty individuals, a number of whom carried picket signs of the NFWA, conducted a peaceful picket demonstration starting at noon, December 2, 1970, in front of the Dow Chemical Sales Office, 600 West Touhy Avenue, Chicago. The participants of this picket demonstration dispersed at approximately 2:00 PM December 2, 1970 without incident.

Copies of this memorandum have been furnished the following agencies:

Region I, 113th Military Intelligence Group
Evanston, Illinois

United States Secret Service, Chicago, Illinois

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It is now time for a new offensive against Dow Chemical and this time the workers are leading it. In the past we have always known Dow as an oppressor of:

- the consumer - We are continually deluged with propaganda to package everything again and again.
- war victims - Dow supplies the U.S. Department of Defense with napalm, defoliants and other agents used in chemical warfare.
- 3rd world peoples - Highly poisonous herbicides and insecticides are sold on the open market in Latin America without the safety precautions indicated on the label as is required for the same products when sold in the U.S.
- the environment - Dow produces highly pollutant plastics and pesticides.

Now we discover that in addition to these offenses against the people, Dow Chemical is a leader in the oppression of migrant farm workers. 17,000 acres of lettuce owned by Dow and operated by Bud Antle, Inc. have been struck by farm workers seeking decent wages and working conditions as well as protection from dangerous pesticides. Antle is the world's second largest lettuce shipper; Dow produces many of the deadly pesticides the farm workers want outlawed or put under control. This produces a powerful bloc with which to break a strike among poor farm workers. Dow provides Antle with all his wrappers, boxes, and chemicals and lots of money. As a result Dow virtually controls Antle.

To break the farm workers' strike, Antle secured an injunction to prohibit the union, the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, from picketting, leafletting, or talking to his employees. A similar injunction prohibits the union from boycotting Bud Antle products and in fact orders Cesar Chavez, union director, to publicly announce that people should buy Bud Antle products. Chavez has refused and so has been summoned to court December 4th to show cause why he should not immediately be imprisoned for contempt of court.

Dow has created a showdown with the farm workers who are trying to defend their rights as men. They are ready. Support the farm workers in their liberation struggle against corporate agri-business.

Boycott all Dow products. Boycott Bud Antle vegetables. Write letters of indignation to H.D. Doan, President, Dow Chemical Corp., Midland, Michigan, 48640. Call the Washington, D.C. office daily at 296-1915. Help picket the D.C. office at the Executive Building, 15th & L NW on Wednesday, Dec.2 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

only buy
union lettuce

Farm Workers Action Committee

phone 587-0510

12/29/70

1 - Mr. Wannall
1 [redacted]

Airtel

To: SAC, Chicago (100-42662)

From: Director, FBI (100-444762)

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UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC)
RM

ReCGlet 12/8/70 with enclosure.

Enclosure sets forth information from a source who has furnished reliable information in the past. This source is not identified in relet. Advise Bureau of identity of source by return airtel. Dissemination of enclosure is being withheld pending receipt of the requested information. Charge error of form to appropriate personnel.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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1:50PM URGENT 12/11/70 MCF

TELETYPE

TO DIRECTOR

FROM PITTSBURGH (62-3292) 2P

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC)-
PROTEST DEMONSTRATION AGAINST KROGER SUPERMARKET, PITTSBURGH,
PA., DECEMBER TWELVE, NEXT, IS - MISC; VIDEM

PITTSBURGH SOURCES WHO HAVE FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC) PLANNING DEMONSTRATION AT ELEVEN THIRTY AM, DECEMBER TWELVE, NEXT AT THE KROGER SUPERMARKET LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF CENTRE AND NEVILLE STREETS, PITTSBURGH. PURPOSE OF THE DEMONSTRATION IS TO PROTEST THE JAILING OF CESAR CHAVEZ, HEAD OF UFWOC IN CALIFORNIA, AND TO PROTEST KROGER SELLING BOYCOTTED LETTUCE. SOURCE ADVISED NEW LEFT ORGANIZATIONS, PITTSBURGH, SUPPORTING THIS DEMONSTRATION AND IT IS EXPECTED THERE WILL BE SUBSTANTIAL TURNOUT DUE TO THIS SUPPORT.

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SOURCE ALSO ADVISED IT IS EXPECTED DEMONSTRATION WILL BE PEACEFUL UNLESS UNTOWARD INCIDENTS TAKE PLACE.

PITTSBURGH PD COGNIZANT. G TWO, SECRET SERVICE, OSI, AND USA, ALL PITTSBURGH, AND NISO, PHILADELPHIA, BEING ADVISED.

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NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED. PITTSBURGH WILL FOLLOW AND APPROPRIATELY ADVISE BUREAU. (P).

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11:30PM NITEL 12-12-70 FFP

TO DIRECTOR

FROM PITTSBURGH (62-3292)

[redacted]

UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC) - [redacted] PROTEST DEMONSTRATION AGAINST KROGER SUPERMARKET, PITTSBURGH, PA., DECEMBER TWELVE, SEVENTY, IS - MISC; VIDEM

REFERENCE IS MADE TO COMMUNICATION DATED DECEMBER ELEVEN, SEVENTY, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

ON DECEMBER TWELVE, SEVENTY, A SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT BETWEEN THE HOURS OF ELEVEN THIRTY AM AND FOUR PM THIS DATE, A DEMONSTRATION SUPPORTED BY THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC), WAS HELD AT THE KROGER SUPERMARKET, LOCATED AT CENTRE AND NEVILLE STREETS, IN THE OAKLAND SECTION OF PITTSBURGH. THE PURPOSE OF THE DEMONSTRATION IN WHICH APPROXAMATELY SEVENTY INDIVIDUALS PARTICIPATED, WAS TO PROTEST THE JAILING OF CESAR CHAVEZ, HEAD OF THE UFWOC IN CALIFORNIA, AND TO PROTEST KROGER SELLING BOYCOTTED LETTUCE. SOURCE ADVISED THE DEMONSTRATION WAS PEACEFUL AND NO UNTOWARD INCIDENTS OCCURED.

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REMYTEL DATED DECEMBER ELEVEN, SEVENTY. NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED. C.

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532PM NITEL 12/23/70 NWC

TO DIRECTOR

WFO

LOS ANGELES

FROM ALEXANDRIA (100- NEW)

[redacted]

DEMONSTRATION AT THE PENTAGON, DEC. TWENTYTHREE INSTANT, BY [redacted]
THRE UNITED FARM WORKERS. MISC. - INFO CONCERNING.

A SOURCE WHO HAS PROVIDED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED THAT AT ELEVEN THIRTY A. M. ON DEC. TWENTYTHREE NINETEEN SEVENTY FOURTEEN MEMBERS OF THE UNITED FARM WORKERS UNION ORGANIZING COMMITTEE OF THE AF OF L- CIO, FOLLOWERS OF CAESAR CHAVEZ, APPEARED AT THE RIVER ENTRANCE TO THE PENTAGON WITH FLYERS AND POSTERS PROTESTING ALLEGED DISCRIMINATORY PURCHASING POLICIES ON THE PART OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD) IN ITS PURCHASING OF LETTUCE. THEY ALLEGED DOD PURCHASED LETTUCE FROM THE BUD-ANTLE COMPANY, A SUBSIDIARY OF DOW CHEMICAL CORPORATION IN CALIFORNIA WHICH EMPLOYS NON-UNION WORKERS. A SPOKESMAN FOR THE GROUP IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS JESUS CARRACO, A LETTUCE WORKER REPRESENTING CAESAR CHAVEZ. HE SPOKE BRIEFLY WITH PETER HACKES OF NBC NEWS. THE DEMONSTRATION OCCURRED [redacted] WITHOUT INCIDENT AND THE PICKETERS LEFT THE PENTAGON

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PEACEFULLY AT ONE TEN P. M.

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COPIES BEING FURNISHED WFO AND LOS ANGELES FOR INFORMATION. SOURCE OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION WAS [redacted] NINE ZERO SECOND MIG. NO LHM FOLLOWS IN VIEW OF SMALL SIZE OF DEMONSTRATION AND NO INCIDENTS. LOCAL DISSEMINATION IS BEING MADE TO INTERESTED INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES.

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FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-42662)

SUBJECT: UNITED FARM WORKERS
ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC)
RM
(OO: SACRAMENTO)

ReBuairtel dated 12/29/70.

Chicago source utilized in Chicago letter and LHM dated 12/8/70, was [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past.

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6:00 PM NITEL 1-13-71 DCA

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SEATTLE (100-NEW)

UNITED FARM WORKERS, DEMONSTRATION AT FORT LEWIS, WASHINGTON, JANUARY FOURTEEN, NEXT, INFORMATION CONCERNING. OO: SEATTLE [redacted]

ON JANUARY THIRTEEN, INSTANT, SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST REPORTED THE UNITED FARM WORKERS (UFW) HAVE SCHEDULED A DEMONSTRATION AT FORT LEWIS, WASHINGTON, FOR JANUARY FOURTEEN, NEXT. INTERESTED PERSONS ARE TO MEET AT TEN AM THAT DATE AT EITHER THE YMCA IN THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON DISTRICT, SEATTLE, OR AT THE SOUTHCENTER SHOPPING AREA, SOUTH OF SEATTLE. THEY WILL PROCEED TO FORT LEWIS FROM THESE POINTS FOR THE DEMONSTRATION.

IN THE RECENT PAST THE UFW HAVE BEEN PICKETING VARIOUS FOOD STORE CHAINS WHICH DO NOT CARRY LETTUCE PICKED BY MEMBERS OF THE UFW. NO VIOLENCE HAS BEEN PROPOSED AND PICKETING OF THIS TYPE IN RECENT MONTHS HAS GENERALLY BEEN PEACEFUL.

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ABOVE FURNISHED TO US ATTORNEY, SECRET SERVICE AND MILITARY INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES COVERING THE SEATTLE-FORT LEWIS AREA.

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SOURCE IS [redacted] NO LHM FOLLOWS. TELETYPE WILL BE SENT AFTER DEMONSTRATION.

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1107PMNITEL 1-11-71 FLZ

TO DIRECTOR

FROM CINCINNATI

[redacted]

Airport Wright-Patterson

PROPOSED DEMONSTRATION BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, WPAFB, OHIO, JANUARY ELEVEN INSTANT. IS - MISC; YSA; IS-SWP.

[redacted]

SA [redacted], OSI, WPAFB, OHIO, ADVISED THAT AT APPROXIMATELY THREE THIRTY PM TODAY, SIX DEMONSTRATORS APPEARED NEAR GATE ONE-C, WPAFB, OHIO AND PASSED OUT LEAFLETS TO PROTEST THE GOVERNMENT'S CONTINUED PURCHASE AND USE OF LETTUCE IN SPITE OF THE BOYCOTT OF NON-UNION LETTUCE GROWERS OF THE UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (UFWOC). ALSO, SEVEN PERSONS APPEARED AT VICINITY OF GATE TWELVE-A AND FIVE PERSONS AT GATE NINE-A AT FOUR TWENTY TWO PM TO PASS OUT THE SAME LEAFLETS. ABOVE DEMONSTRATORS CARRIED PLACARDS STATING "JUSTICE FOR MIGRANT WORKERS". THEY REPORTED THEMSELVES AS BEING CONNECTED WITH UFWOC.

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DEMONSTRATORS DISCONTINUED THEIR LEAFLETTING AT SIX TEN PM. THEY WERE ORDERLY AND NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED.

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RE CINCINNATI TEL, JANUARY ELEVEN INSTANT, SENT FOUR FORTY SEVEN PM.

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES ADVISED.

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To [illegible] Service,
CIA, State, [illegible], Vice
President by tel. CC's of White
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4:47 PM URGENT 1/11/71 CFR

TO DIRECTOR

ATTENTION DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

FROM CINCINNATI 1P

PROPOSED DEMONSTRATION BY UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZATION, WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO, JANUARY ELEVEN, SEVENTYONE

IS-MISC YSA IS-SWP

TODAY TWO CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES, WHO HAVE FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED UNITED FARM WORKERS ORGANIZATION (UFWO) PROPOSES TO DEMONSTRATE AT WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, DAYTON, OHIO ON JANUARY ELEVEN, SEVENTYONE FROM FIVE PM TO SIX PM. PURPOSE OF DEMONSTRATION IS TO CALL ATTENTION TO FACT THAT AIR FORCE PURCHASES LETTUCE DESPITE NATIONWIDE BOYCOTT BY UFWO. YSA, CINCINNATI, OHIO PLANS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS DEMONSTRATION IN ORDER TO ASSIST UFWO.

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CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES ARE [redacted] AND [redacted] ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES NOTIFIED. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF ALL DEVELOPMENTS.

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940PM NITEL 1-11-71 LCH

TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (CLOSED) (QPP-NEW)

[redacted]

DEMONSTRATION AT UNITED STATES NAVAL AIR STATION, ALAMEDA, CALIFORNIA, SPONSORED BY UNITED FARM WORKERS, JANUARY ELEVEN INSTANT.

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THE SOURCE, WHO HAS PROVIDED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT APPROXIMATELY EIGHTY-FIVE PERSONS REPRESENTING THE UNITED FARM WORKERS RALLIED AT THE ALAMEDA JUNIOR COLLEGE, ALAMEDA, CALIFORNIA, FROM ELEVEN FIFTEEN AM UNTIL TWELVE O'CLOCK PM, THIS DATE, TO PROTEST AGAINST THE PURCHASE OF NONUNION LETTUCE BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. FROM THERE THE GROUP MARCHED TO THE EAST GATE OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL AIR STATION, ALAMEDA, CALIFORNIA, WHERE THEY PASSED LITERATURE FROM TWELVE TWENTY PM UNTIL ONE FIFTEEN PM, PROTESTING THE PURCHASE OF NONUNION LETTUCE.

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SOURCE ADVISED THAT THE GROUP WAS PREDOMINATED BY CHICANO AND CONTAINED A FEW BLACKS.

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THE SOURCE STATED THAT THE ENTIRE DEMONSTRATION WAS PEACEABLE AND NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS TOOK PLACE. THE GROUP DISPERSED FROM THE NAVAL AIR STATION AT APPROXIMATELY ONE FIFTEEN PM.

THE SOURCE IS [redacted] AND SOURCE IS UNABLE TO IDENTIFY THE NAMES OF ANY OF THE PARTICIPANTS.

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